

# The Role of Heterogeneous Chemistry in the Photochemical Oxidant Cycle: A Modeling and Laboratory Study

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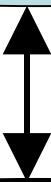
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## **Atmospheric Chemistry Modeling**



### **Laboratory Studies**

Reaction Kinetics

FT-IR Analysis

Single Particle Analysis (SEM and AFM)



### **Field Measurements**

PNNL - Single Particle Analysis (SEM)

LBL - Analysis of Organic Aerosol (Quartz Filters)

Ace-Asia, Trace-P

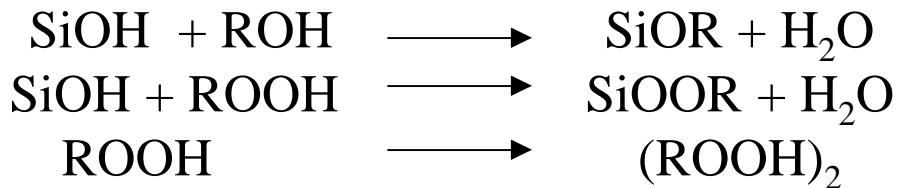
# **Laboratory Studies Designed to Aid In the Interpretation of Field Measurements of Atmospheric Particulates**

## **Organic Aerosol**

(Kirchstetter and Novakov - LBL)

quartz filter sampling artifacts can be related  
to the surface chemistry of quartz

e.g. surface reactions of alcohols and organic acids



## **Atmospheric Chemical Processing of Aerosol**

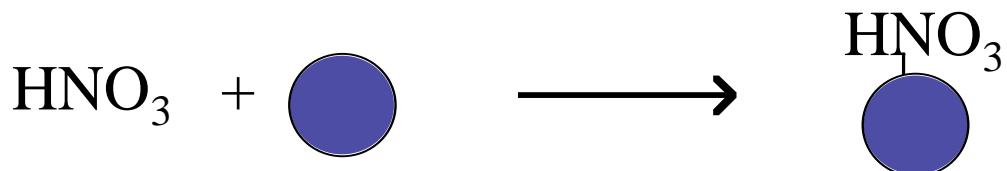
(Cowin and Laskin - PNNL)

Single particle analysis using SEM/EDX Analysis

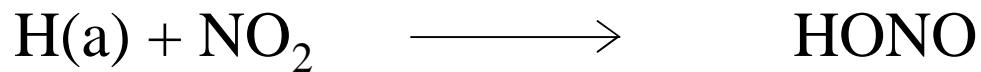
# Chemical Role of Aerosol Particles in the Atmosphere

Can change the chemical balance of the atmosphere in two ways

Sink



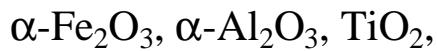
Reactive Surface



# Heterogeneous Chemistry on Mineral Dust and Carbonaceous Aerosol

- Role of heterogeneous reactions in the photochemical oxidant cycle
- Trace atmospheric gases of interest include  $\text{NO}_2$ ,  **$\text{HNO}_3$** ,  **$\text{SO}_2$** ,  **$\text{O}_3$**  and Organics  
(e.g. acetone, methanol, **acetic acid**...)
- Laboratory Models for Mineral dust
  - Oxides, carbonates, clays, aluminum silicates...

Single component oxides



Carbonates



Dust samples

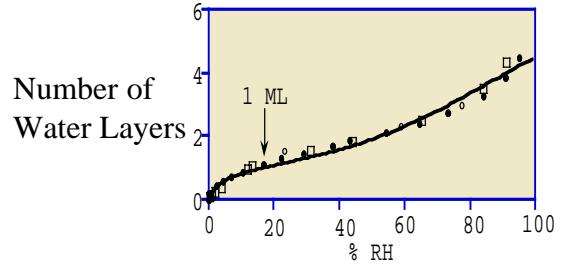
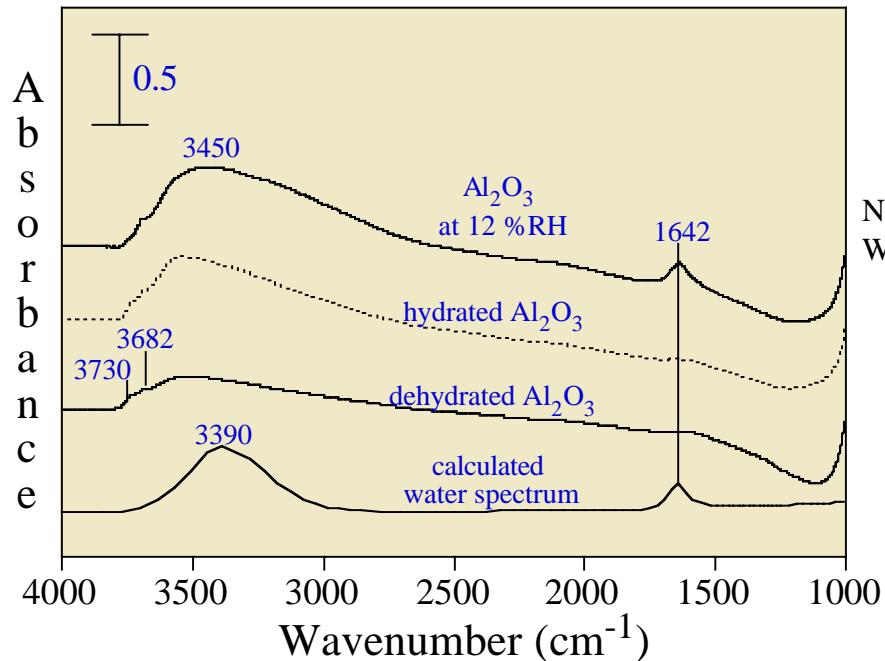
China Loess and Saharan Sand

# Surface versus Bulk Compositions



## Single Component Oxides

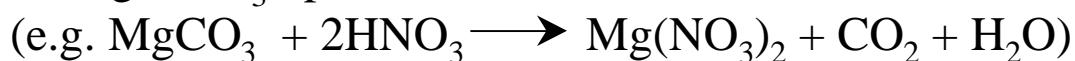
surfaces are truncated by hydroxyl group and adsorbed water



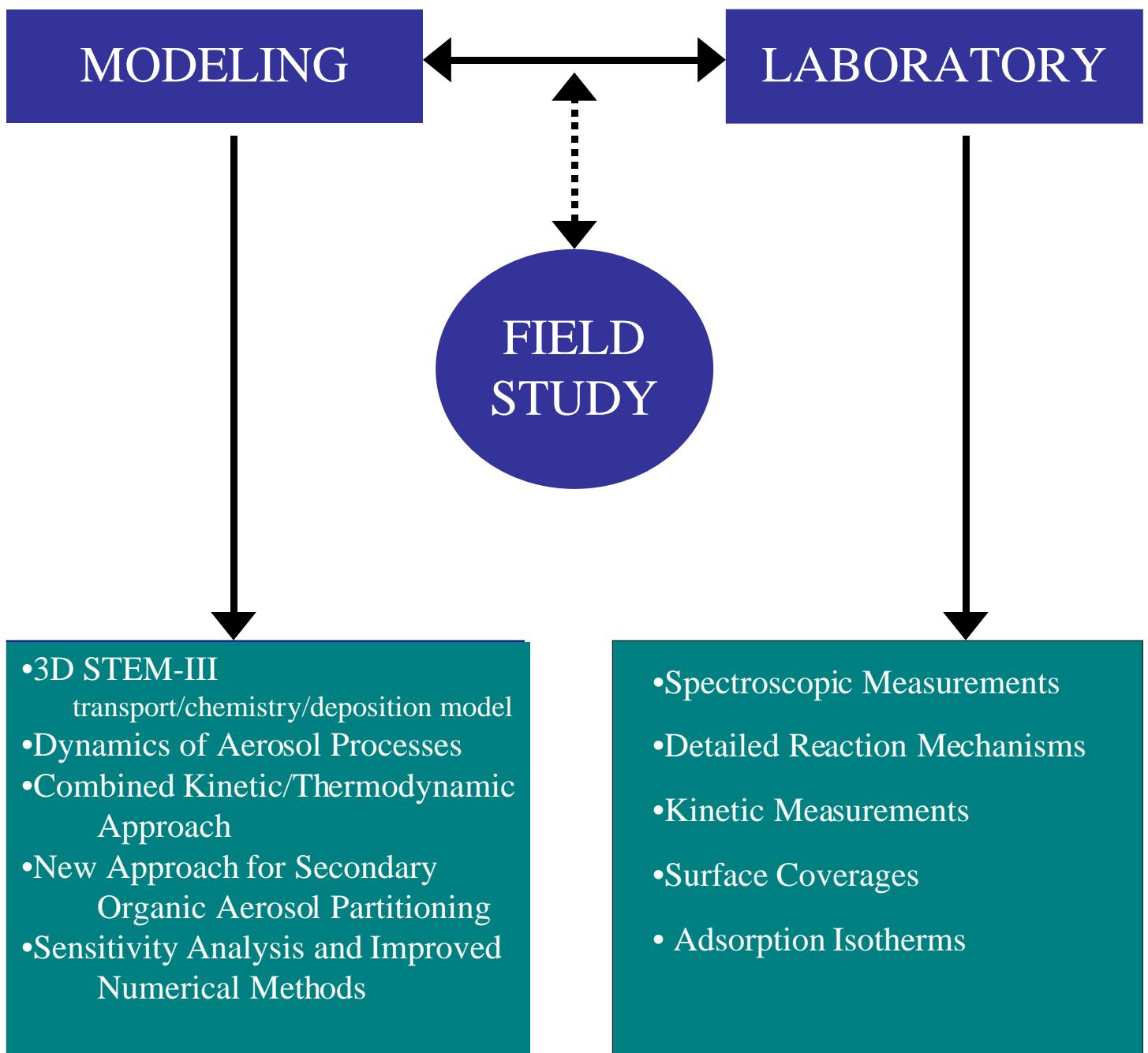
## Basic oxides (e.g. MgO and CaO)

readily react with  $\text{CO}_2$  in the atmosphere to give surface carbonate

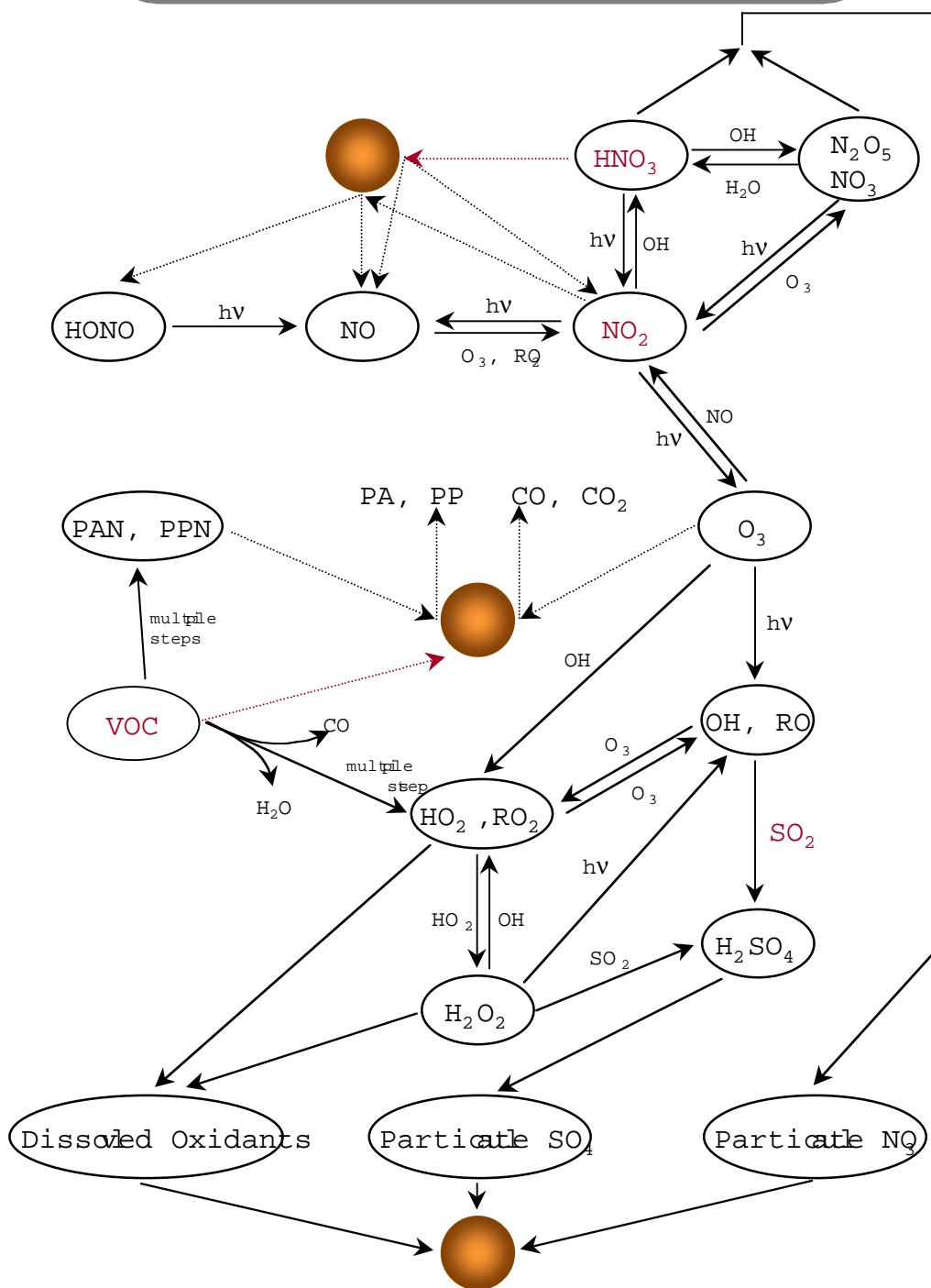
Evidence for this is seen by the production of gaseous  $\text{CO}_2$  during  $\text{HNO}_3$  uptake



# THE APPROACH



# Reactions of Trace Atmospheric Gases with Aerosol Particles



# Experimental Considerations

- **Spectroscopic measurements** to provide both qualitative (what reactions are possible) and quantitative information
  - Provide mechanistic information on the molecular level
  - Need to have techniques that can detect **gas-phase and surface-bound species**
    - Transmission FT-IR Spectroscopy
    - Diffuse Reflectance UV-vis Spectroscopy
    - Mass Spectrometry
- **Kinetic measurements** to provide quantitative information
  - Determine uptake coefficients (sticking coefficients, reaction probabilities)  $\gamma$
- **Provide data as input for global atmospheric models** - removal rate of gas-phase species  $j$

$$k_j = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} k_{d,j}(r) n(r) dr$$

$n(r)dr$  = number density of particles between  $r$  and  $r+dr$

$$k_{d,j} = \frac{4\pi r^2 D_j \gamma}{1 + K_n (\lambda + 4(1-\gamma)/3\gamma)}$$

# **What are the Challenges in Laboratory Measurements Of Heterogeneous Reactions on Solid Particles?**

- What is the best technique suitable for these measurements?**
- What is the available surface area?**
- Are these reactions stoichiometric or catalytic, i.e.**
- does the surface become deactivated with time?**
- What is the effect of aging on particle reactivity?**
- How can we take these effects into account in laboratory studies?**

## **Methods Used to Measure Heterogeneous Reaction Kinetics on Mineral Dusts**

- Knudsen Cell (powders) - dry conditions**
- Time-course FT-IR measurements (powders) - dry and wet conditions**
- Aerosol Chamber (suspended particles) - dry and wet conditions**
- Single Particle Analysis Using SEM and AFM**

# **Laboratory Studies Designed to Provide Useful Information for Atmospheric Chemistry Models**

- 1. Heterogeneous Uptake of Organic and Inorganic Acids**
- 2. SO<sub>2</sub> Uptake on Mineral Dust**
- 3. Heterogeneous Reaction of Ozone on Mineral Dust**

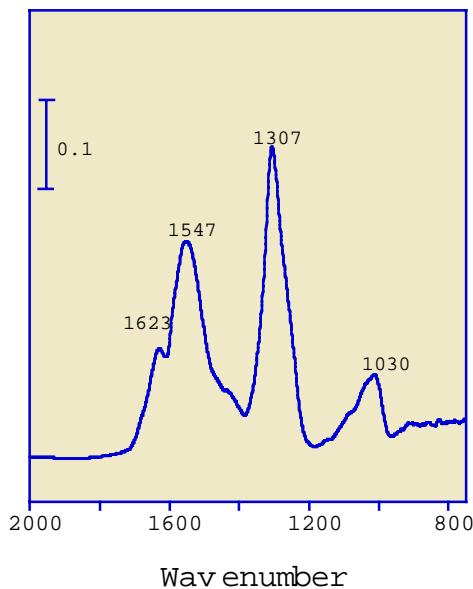
# Heterogeneous Reactions of Inorganic and Organic Acids

$\text{HNO}_3$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$

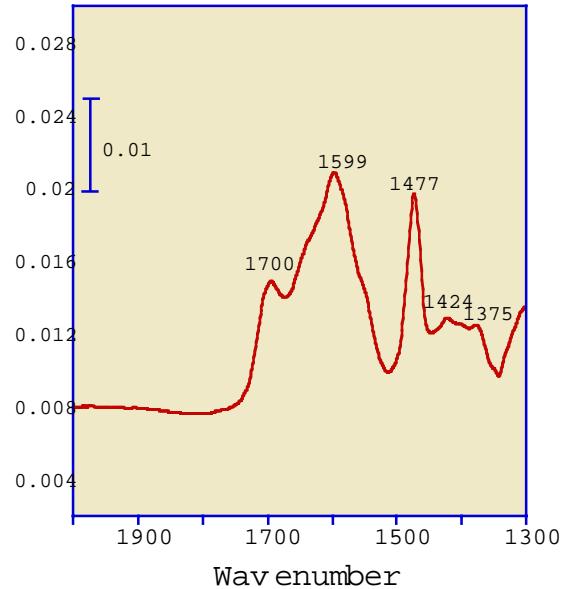
Mostly find irreversible, dissociative adsorption (with the exception of  $\text{SiO}_2$ ) leads to the formation of adsorbed nitrate and acetate, respectively, as determined by FT-IR spectroscopy



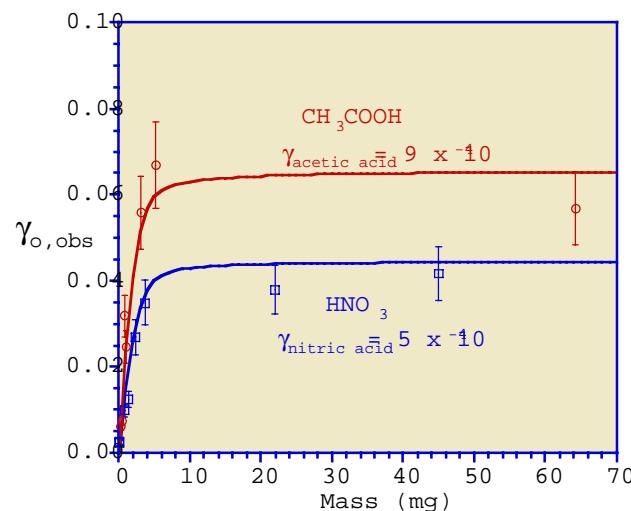
Adsorbed Nitrate



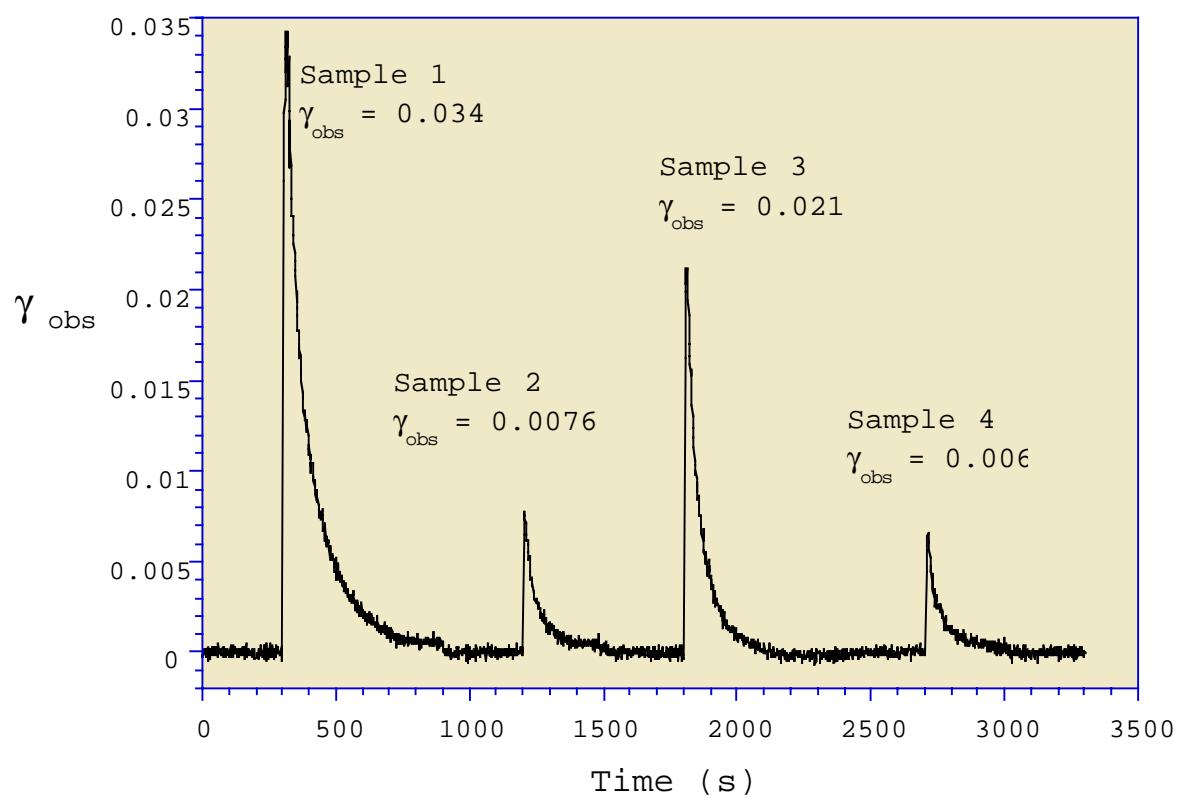
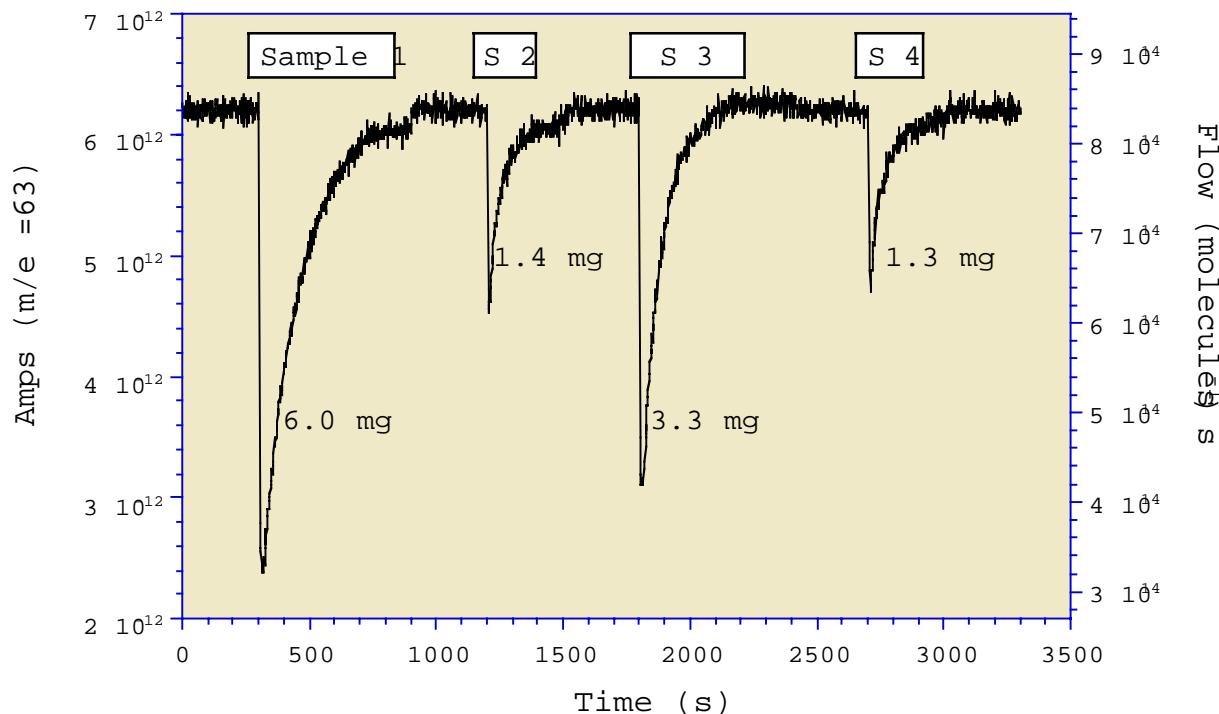
Adsorbed Acetate



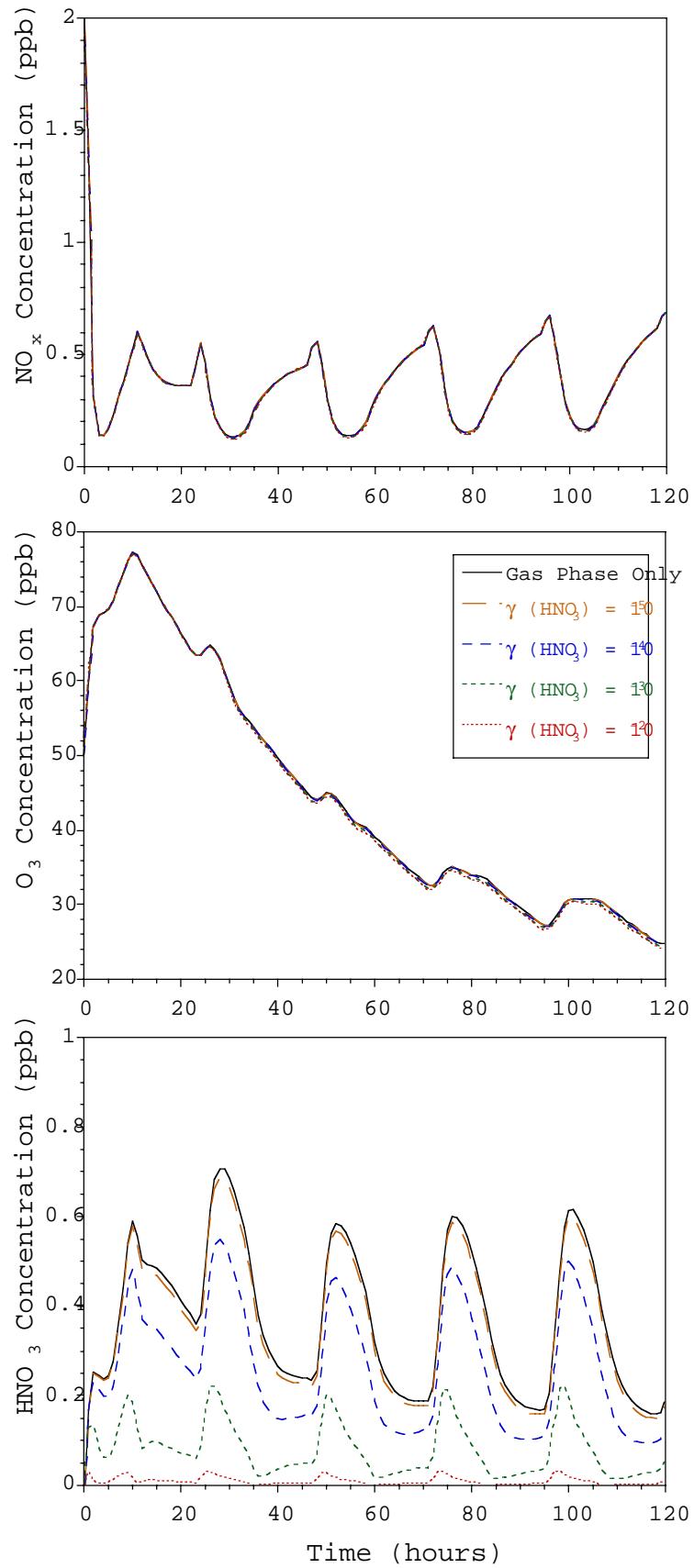
Kinetic Data



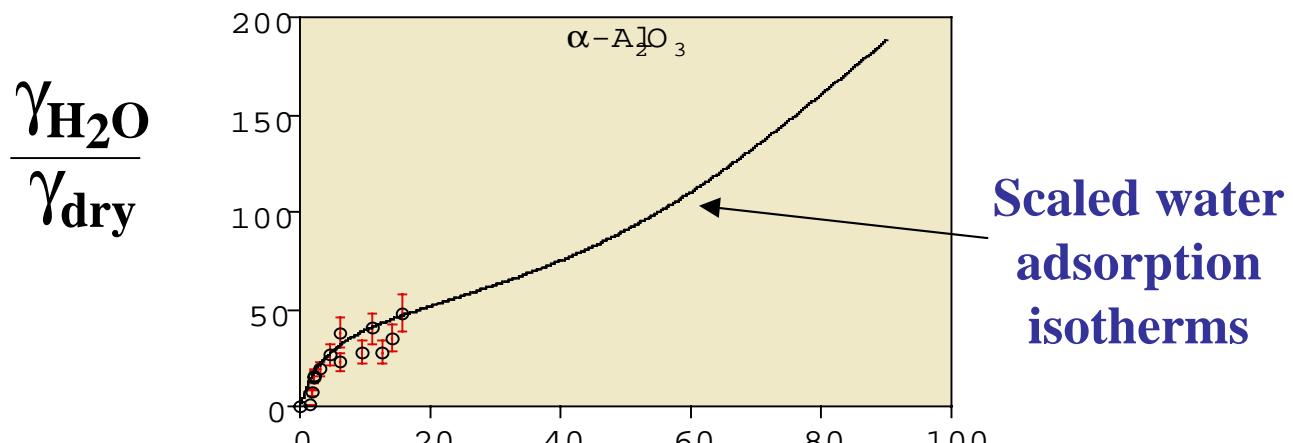
# Nitric Acid Uptake on $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$



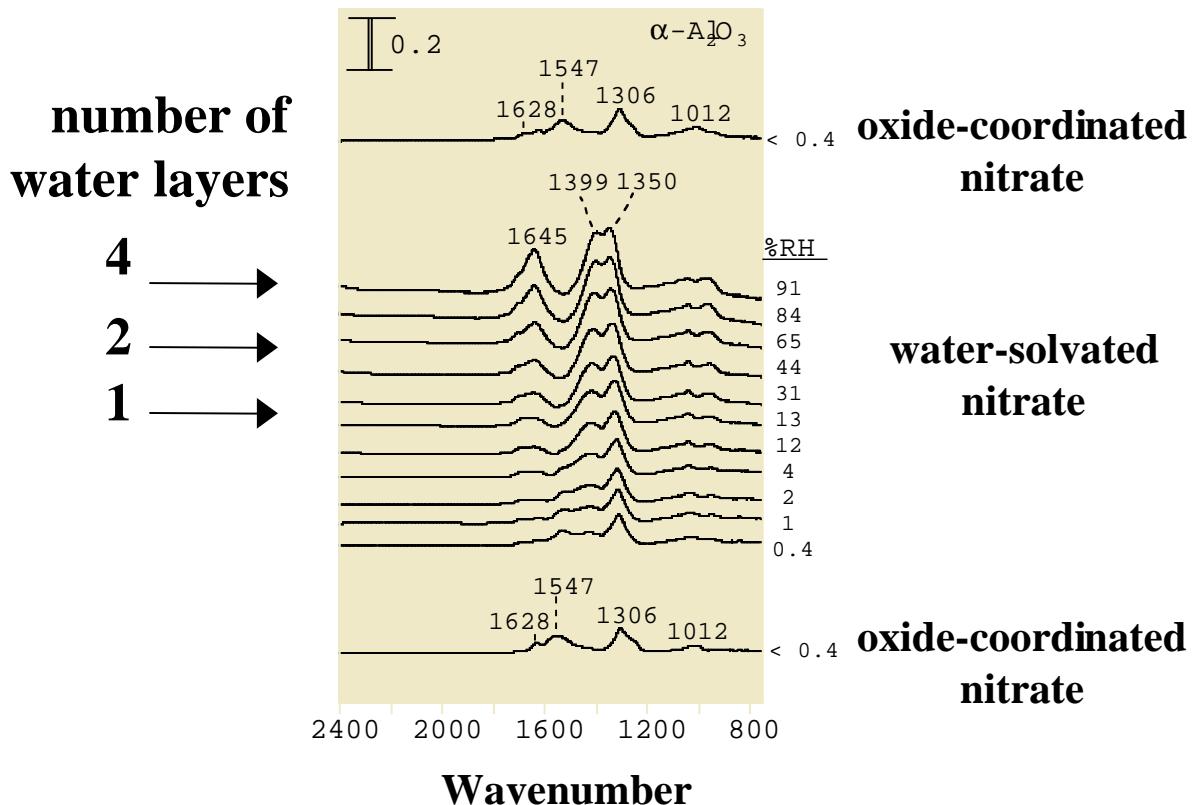
# Heterogeneous Uptake of $\text{HNO}_3$ with Surface Saturation



# Enhanced Nitric Acid Uptake Kinetics on Oxide Particles in the Presence of Adsorbed Water Measured by FT-IR Spectroscopy

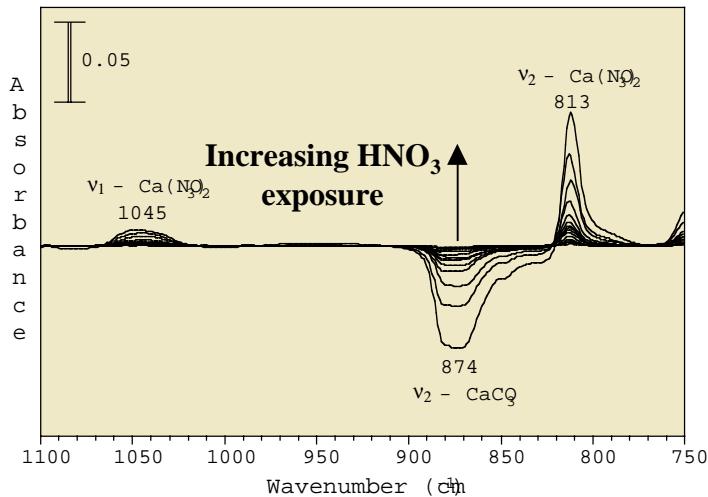


Water adsorption on  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$  following reaction of  $\text{HNO}_3$

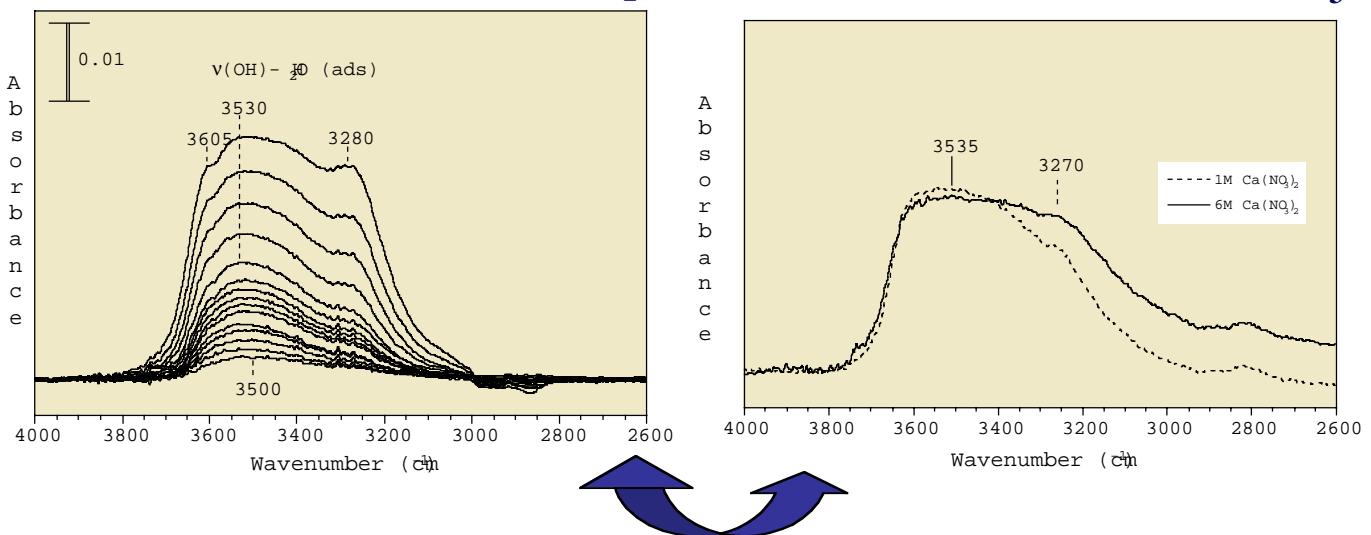


# Importance of Water in the Reactivity of HNO<sub>3</sub> on CaCO<sub>3</sub> at 20% RH

- No Surface Saturation and Increased Reactivity in the Presence of Water



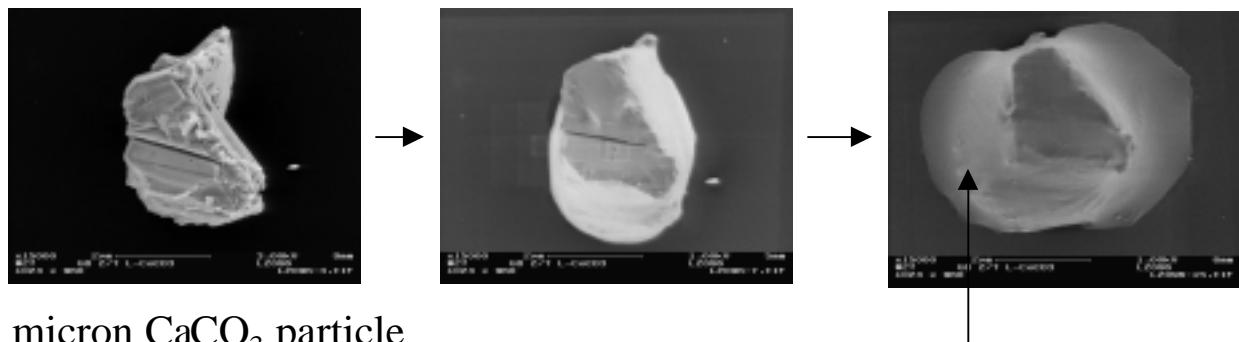
## 2. There is Enhanced Water Adsorption as Nitric Acid Reacts with CaCO<sub>3</sub>



“Adsorbed Solution”  
and Liquid Solution Spectra  
Are Similar

# Single Particle Analysis Studies of Heterogeneous $\text{HNO}_3/\text{CaCO}_3$ Reactions

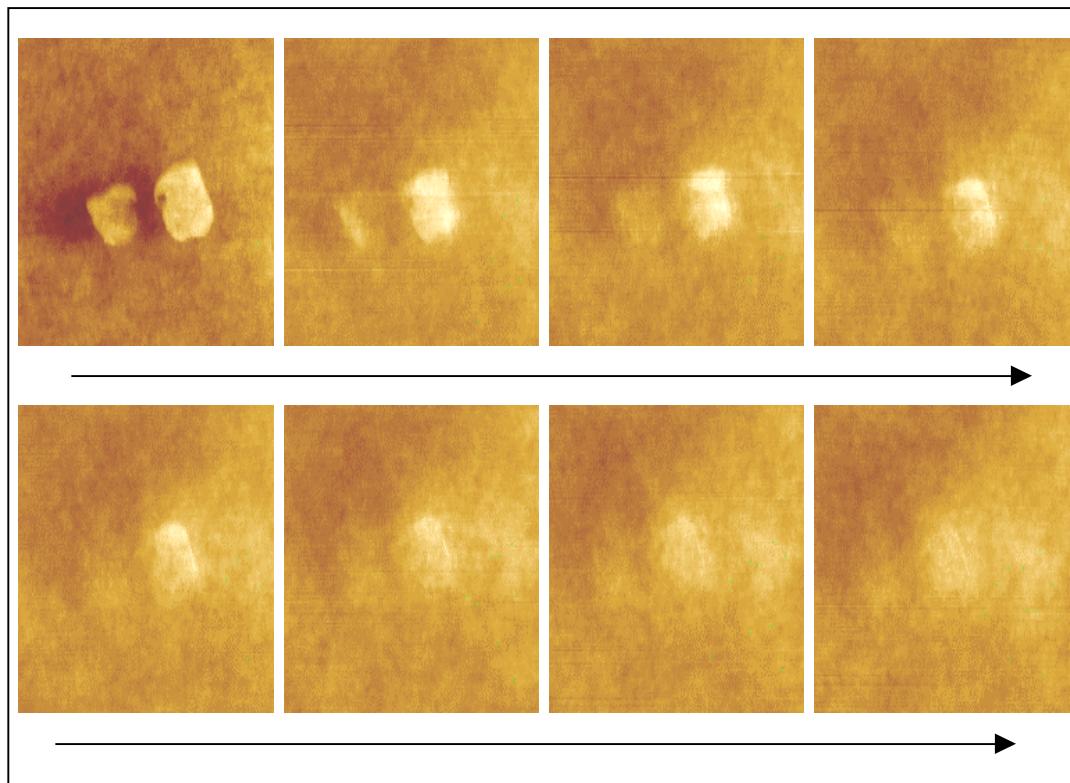
Scanning Electron Microscopy and Energy Dispersive X-Ray Analysis



2 micron  $\text{CaCO}_3$  particle

$\text{Ca}(\text{NO}_3)_2$

Atomic Force Microscopy



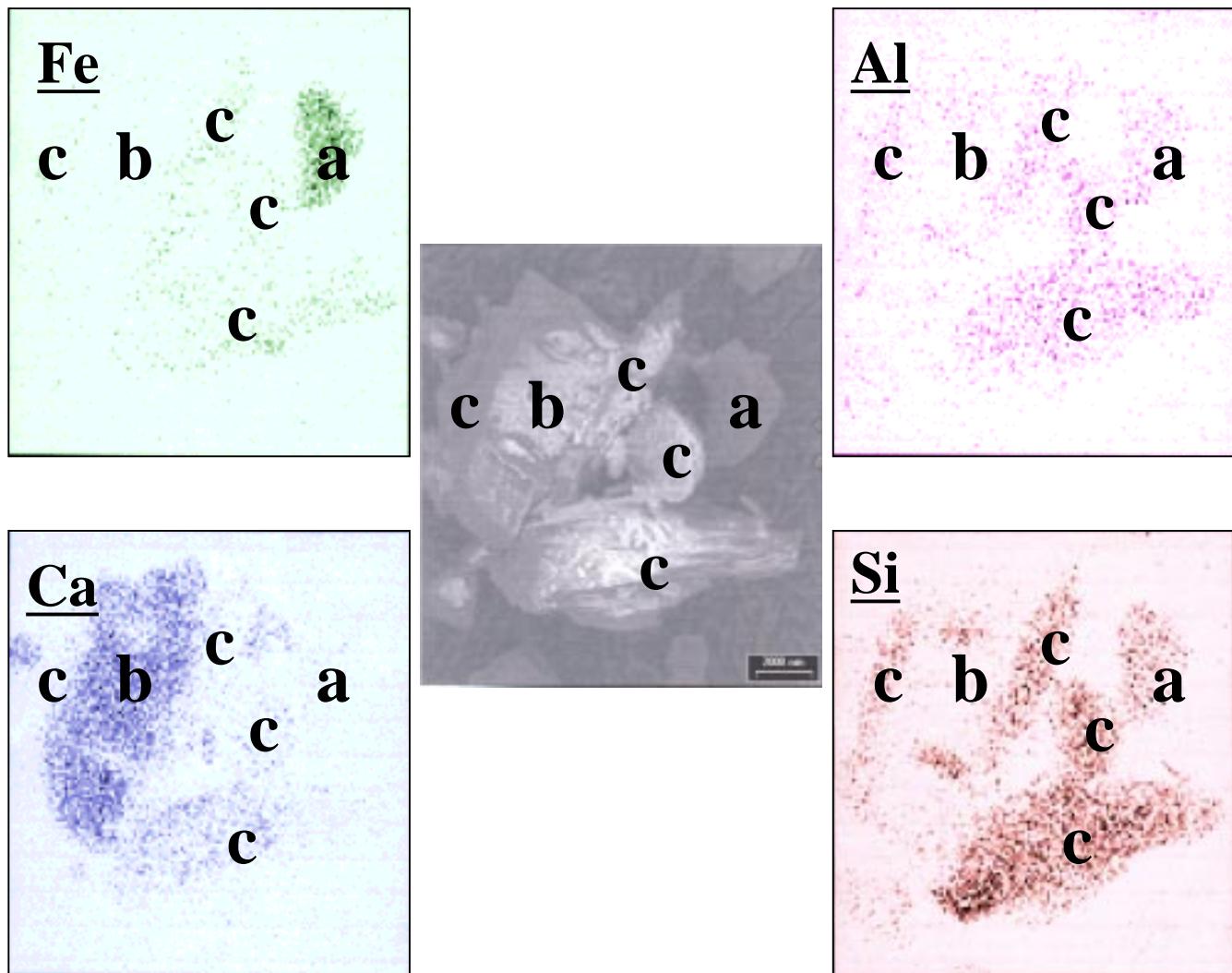
# Measured Initial Heterogeneous Uptake Coefficients ( $\gamma_{\text{BET}}$ ) for $\text{SO}_2$ on Mineral Dusts

Sample	Uptake Coefficient
$\text{TiO}_2$	$1.0 \pm 0.2 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{CaCO}_3$	$1.3 \pm 0.7 \times 10^{-4}$
$\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$	$7 \pm 2 \times 10^{-5}$
$\text{MgO}$	$5 \pm 1 \times 10^{-4}$
$\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$	$2 \pm 1 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{SiO}_2$	$< 1 \times 10^{-7}$
China Loess	$3 \pm 1 \times 10^{-5}$

**Authentic Sample -**  
**China Loess -** consists of 48% Si, 22% Ca, 10% Fe,  
10% Al, 2% Mg and 1% Ti

SEM images and Elemental Mapping (EDXA) show that only certain particles or certain regions of particles will be reactive

# SEM Image and 2-D EDX Maps of Dust Particles



# Predicted vs. Measured Reactivity

- Assume Loess sample is composed of an external mixture of single component oxides and carbonates

$$\gamma_{loess} = \sum_i f_i \gamma_i$$

where  $f_i$  and  $\gamma_i$  are the fractional amount and uptake coefficient, respectively, of component  $i$ .

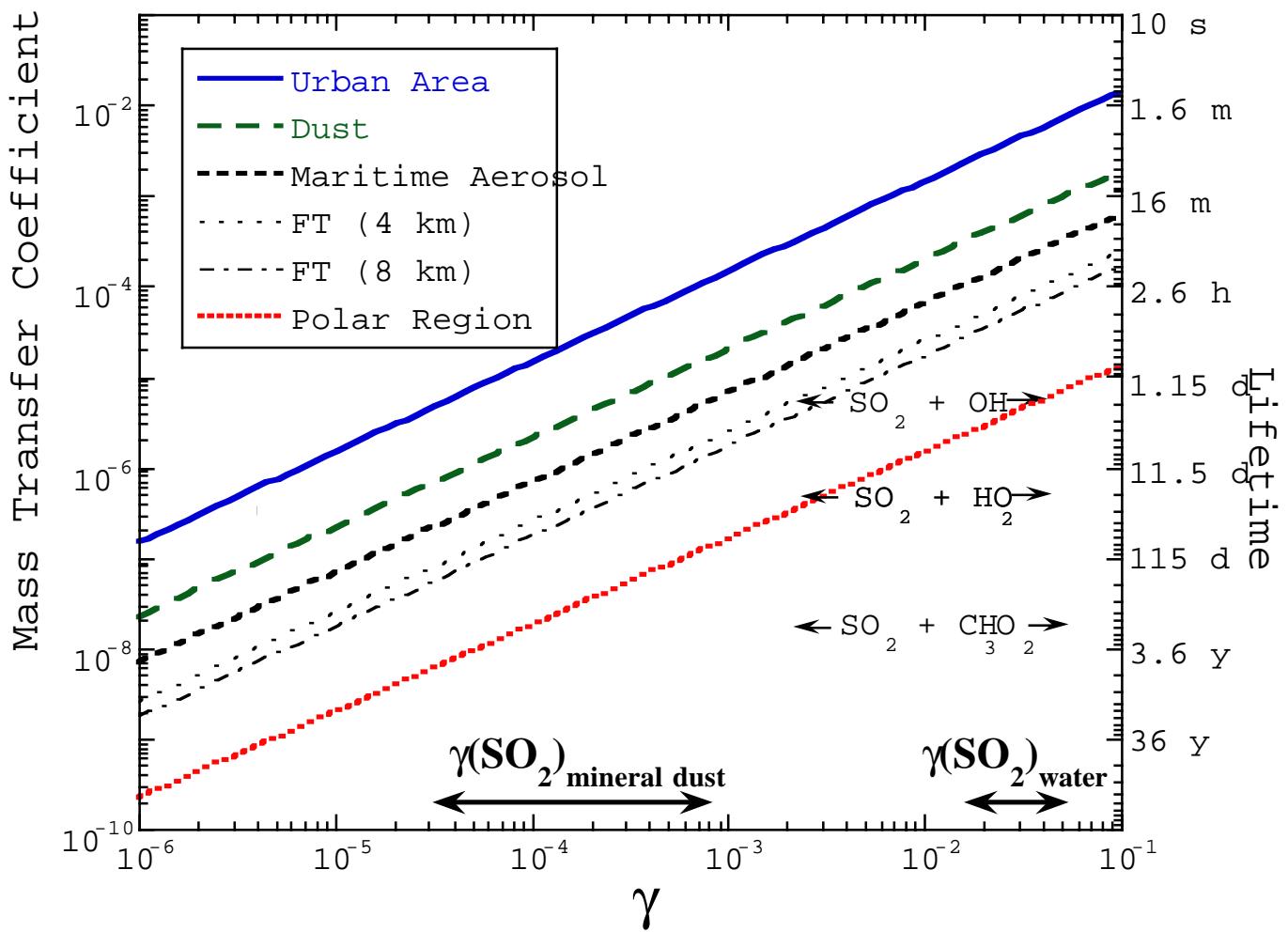
$$\gamma_{predicted} = 4 \pm 2 \times 10^{-5}$$

- Measured Reactivity

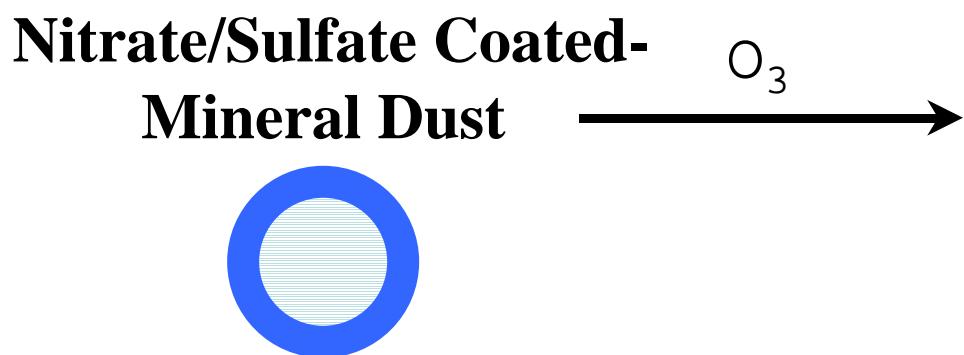
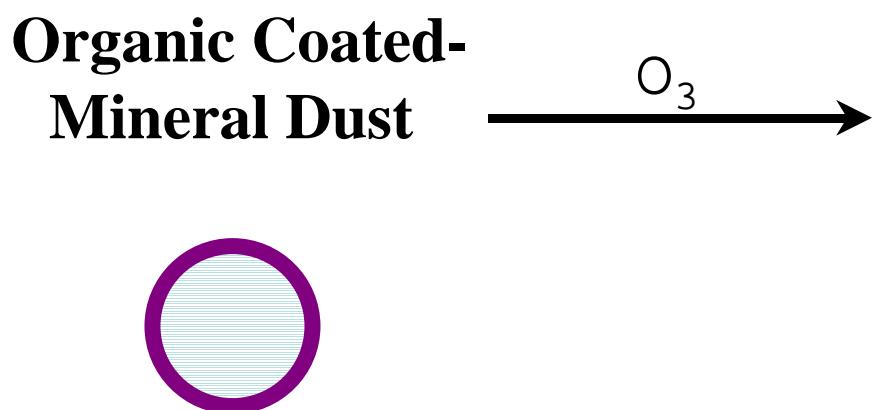
$$\gamma_{measured} = 3 \pm 1 \times 10^{-5}$$

- This suggests that the surface area of each component is similar and the surface and bulk compositions are similar

# Comparison to Other Loss Mechanisms



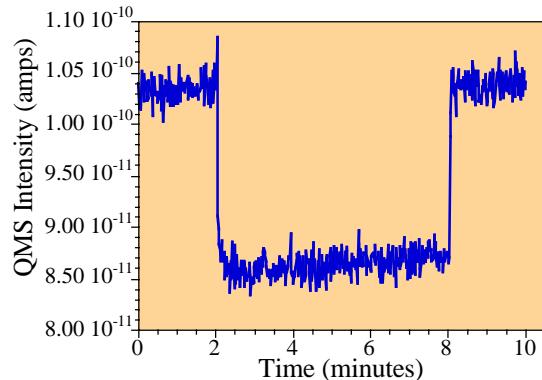
# Reactivity of Mineral Dust Aerosol With Ozone



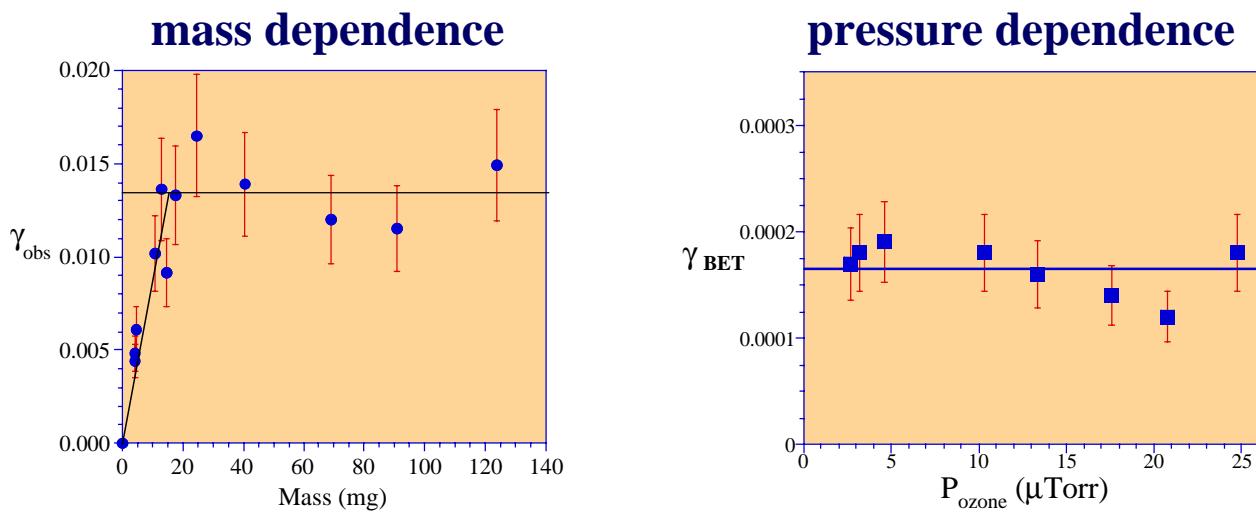
# Ozone Uptake and Destruction on Mineral Dust

- Ozone uptake on  $\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{SiO}_2$
- Ozone uptake on Sarahan Sand

$\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$



Initial  $\gamma$



$$\gamma_{\text{BET}} = 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$$

# Summary of Ozone Uptake on Mineral Dust

## Kinetic Data

Sample	$\gamma_{\text{o}, \text{BET}}$
$\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$	$8 \pm 5 \times 10^{-5}$
$\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$	$1.8 \pm 0.7 \times 10^{-4}$
$\text{SiO}_2$	$5 \pm 3 \times 10^{-5}$
Saharan sand	$6 \pm 3 \times 10^{-5}$

Total Uptake of  $\text{O}_3$  Exceeds  $10^{15}$  molecules  $\text{cm}^{-2}$

**Ozone Destruction is Catalytic**

# Summary

- Organic and inorganic acids have high reactivity and are both taken up by dust particles. The uptake of nitric acid increases as the relative humidity increases showing the importance of water adsorbed on the particles in these reactions.
- On  $\text{CaCO}_3$  and some oxides, the reactivity of  $\text{HNO}_3$  is not limited to the surface of the particle but occurs into the bulk
- $\text{SO}_2$  uptake on solid particles is lower than on liquid droplets
- Authentic dust samples are composed of particles and regions of particles with different reactivity. The laboratory studies show that to a first approximation the reactivity of authentic dust samples can be thought of as an external mixture of oxides and carbonate aggregates of different reactivity. The relative importance of each component is weighted by its natural abundance in the sample.
- Adsorbed S(IV) is oxidized to S(VI) with ozone but not molecular oxygen.
- Ozone uptake is shown to be catalytic on mineral dust particles under the conditions of this study.

# $\text{HNO}_3$ Adsorption on Oxide and Carbonate Particles ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , $\text{TiO}_2$ , $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ , $\text{CaO}$ and $\text{MgO}$ )

- Unreactive  
Insoluble

$\text{SiO}_2$

Reversible  
Molecular  
Adsorption  
 $\text{HNO}_3(a)$

Surface limited

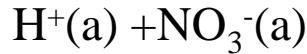
- Reactive  
Insoluble

$\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$

$\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$

$\text{TiO}_2$

Irreversible  
Dissociative  
Adsorption



Surface limited

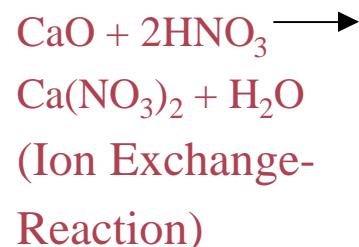
- Reactive  
Soluble

$\text{CaCO}_3$

$\text{CaO}$

$\text{MgO}$

Dissociative  
Adsorption



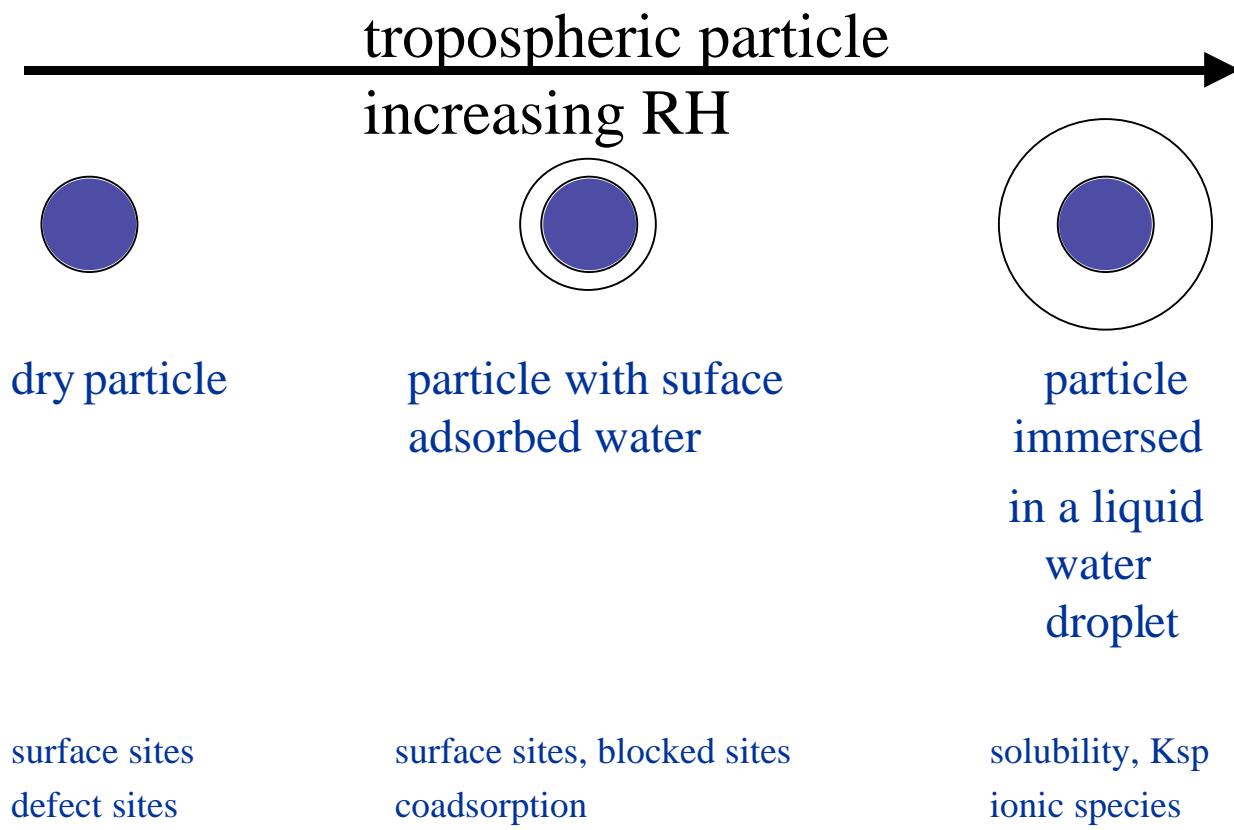
“Adsorbed saturated  
solutions”

Adsorption not limited to  
the surface

What are mineral dusts composed of and, more importantly what are the surfaces coated with?

- Water
- Organic
- Nitrate
- Sulfate

First consider the role of water in surface reactions  
(How much water is there?)

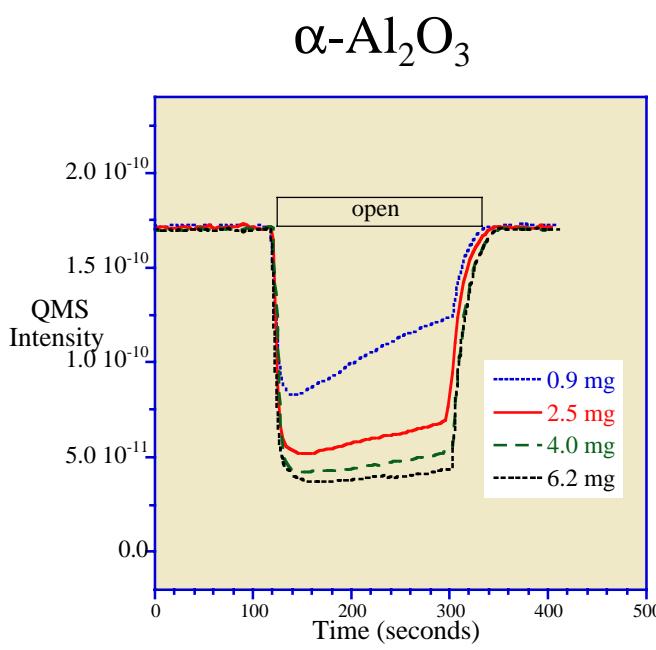


**Chemistry of atmospheric gases  
with the *same* particle may be  
*different* for each of these conditions**

# Heterogeneous Chemistry of SO<sub>2</sub> on Oxide and Mineral Dust Particles

## KNUDSEN CELL DATA

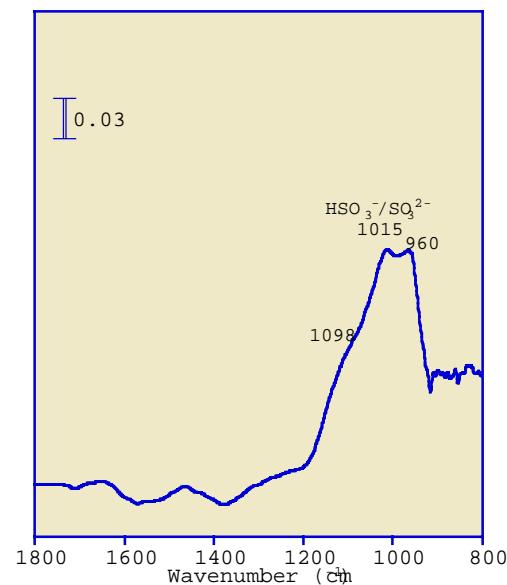
- Kinetic data show that the uptake is mass dependent



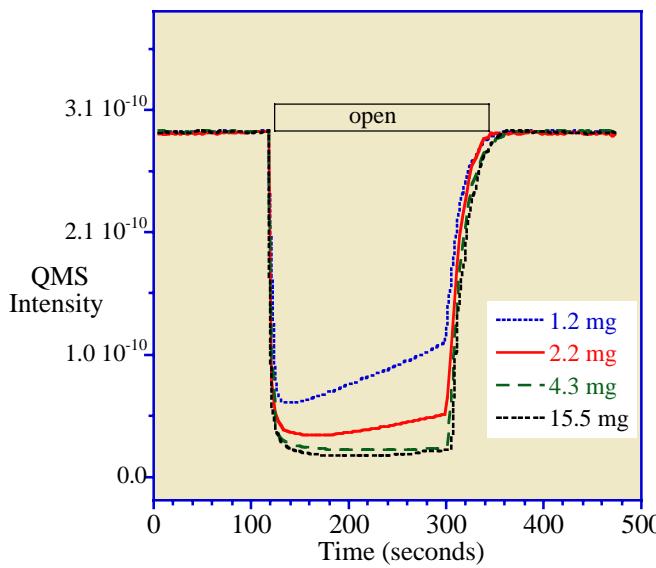
## FT-IR DATA

- SO<sub>2</sub> reacts with surface oxygen atoms and hydroxyl groups to form adsorbed SO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> and HSO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>

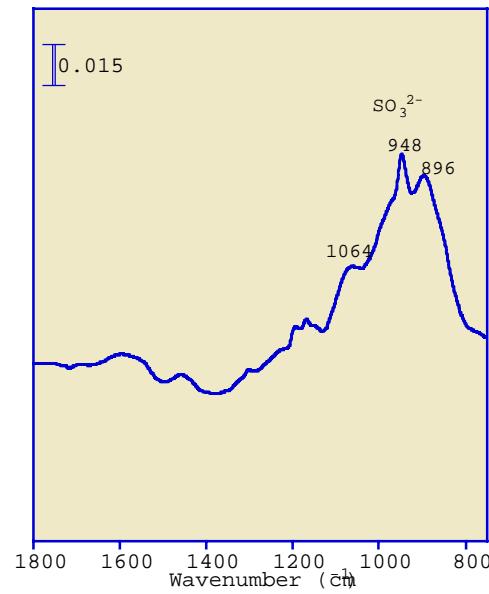
$\alpha\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$



MgO



MgO



# Surface versus Bulk Compositions



## Dust from Sahara and Gobi Deserts

TEM (bulk analysis)

versus

Auger electron spectroscopy (surfaces analysis)

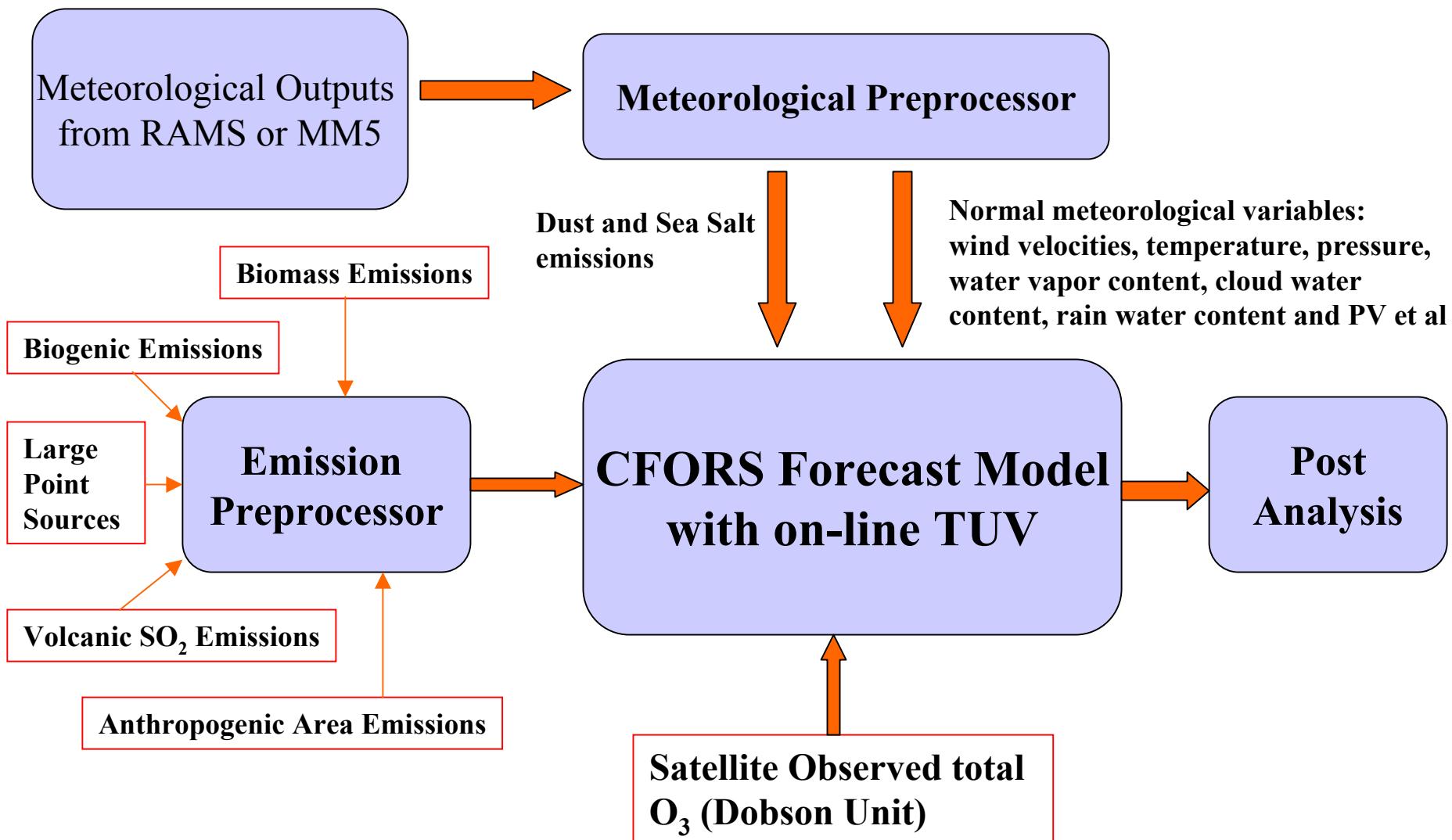
Element	Atom%* (Gobi)		Atom%* (Sahara)	
	Bulk	Surface	Bulk	Surface
Si	48	49	81	76
Al	10	24	8	15
Fe	10	3	7	2
Ca	22	13	1	2
Ti	1	0	2	1
Mg	2	7	1	4
K	7	4	2	0

\*+2%, systematic errors only

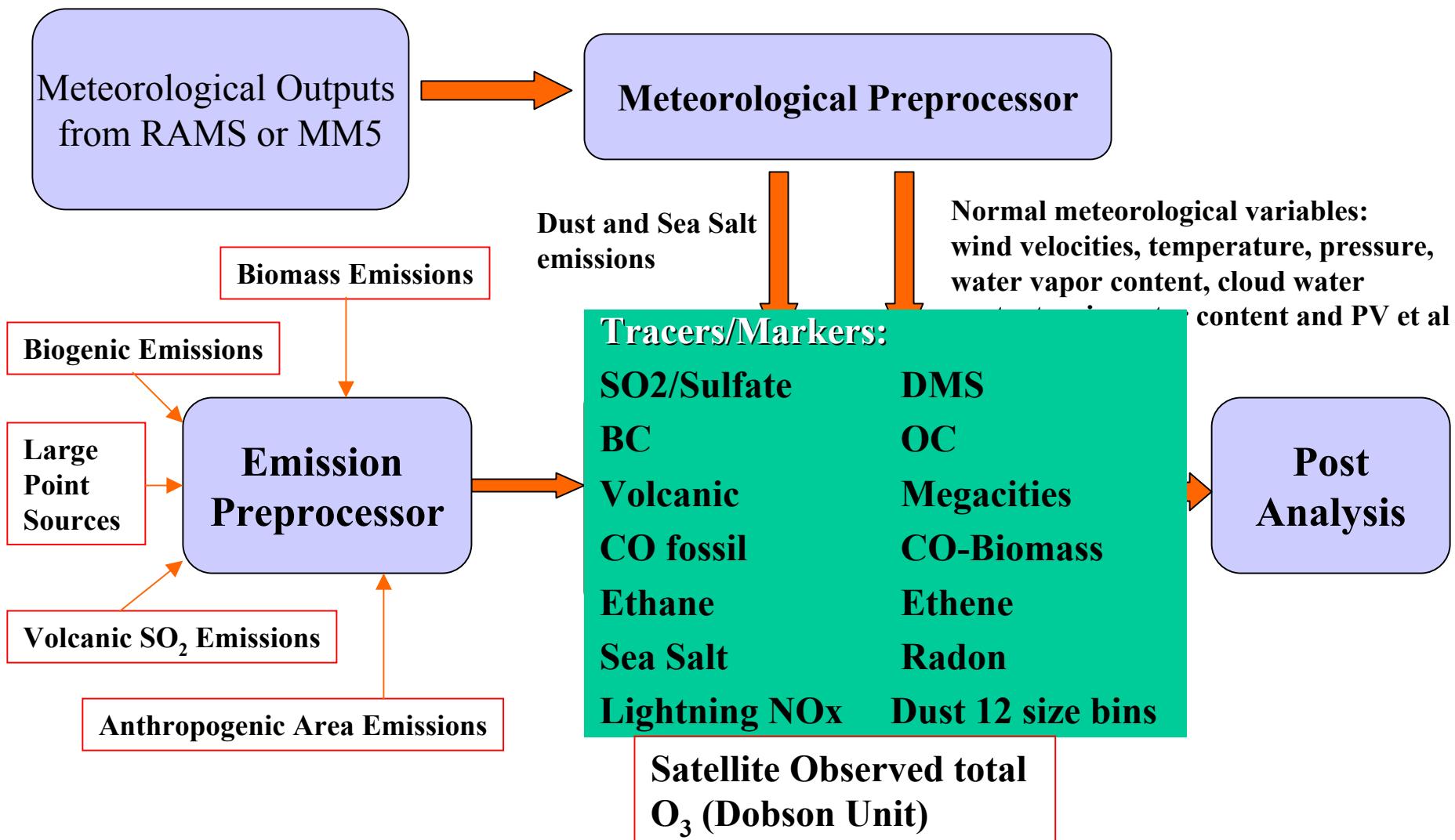
\*Data suggest an enrichment in Al at the surface and a depletion in Fe and Ca with the Si content staying approximately the same

\*Further studies are underway

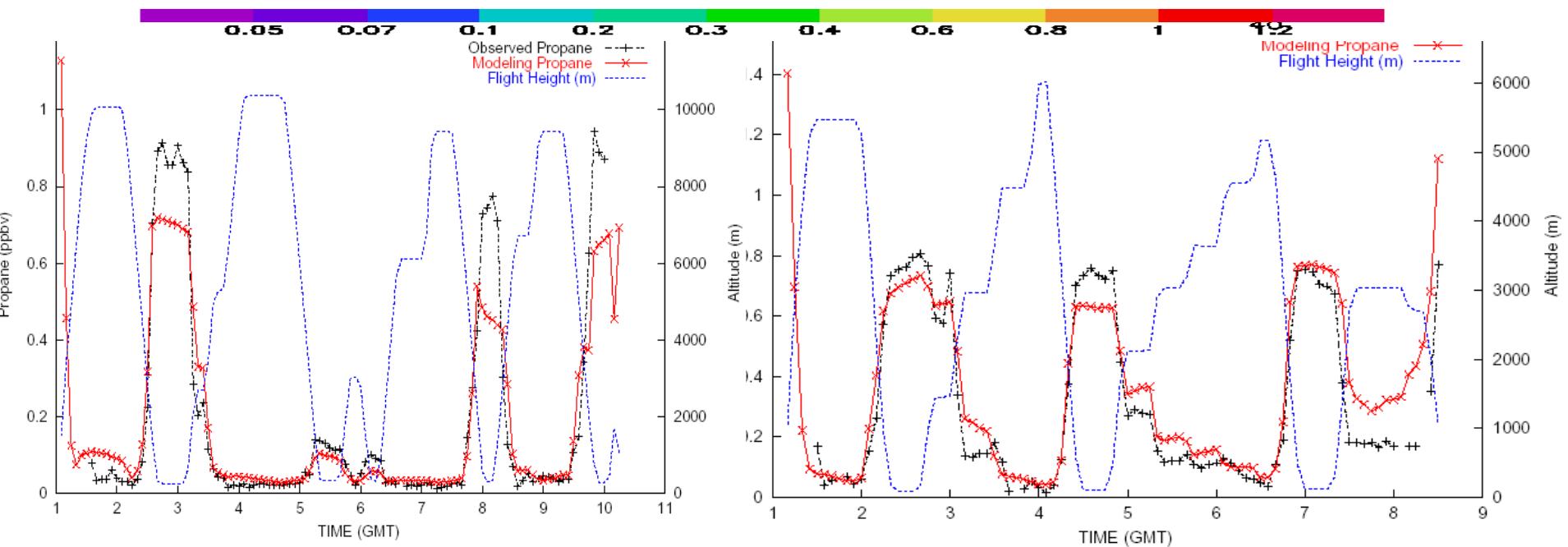
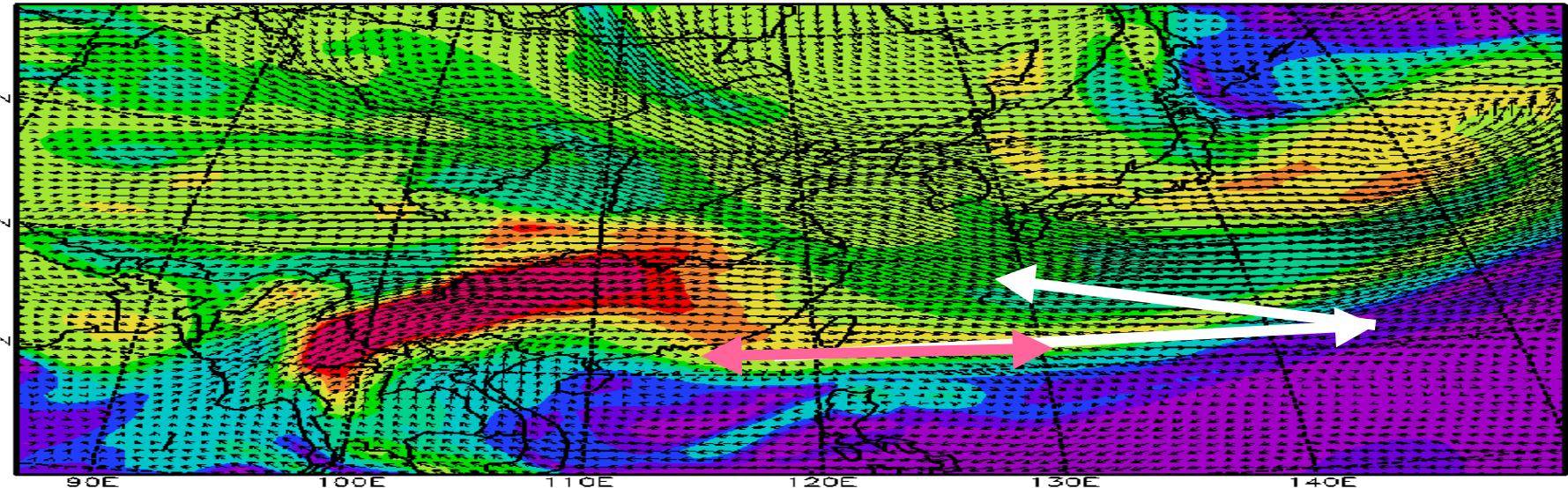
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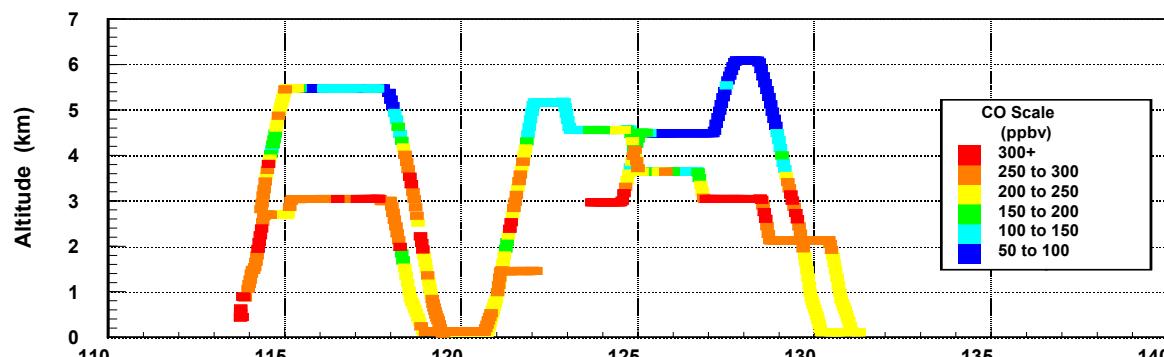
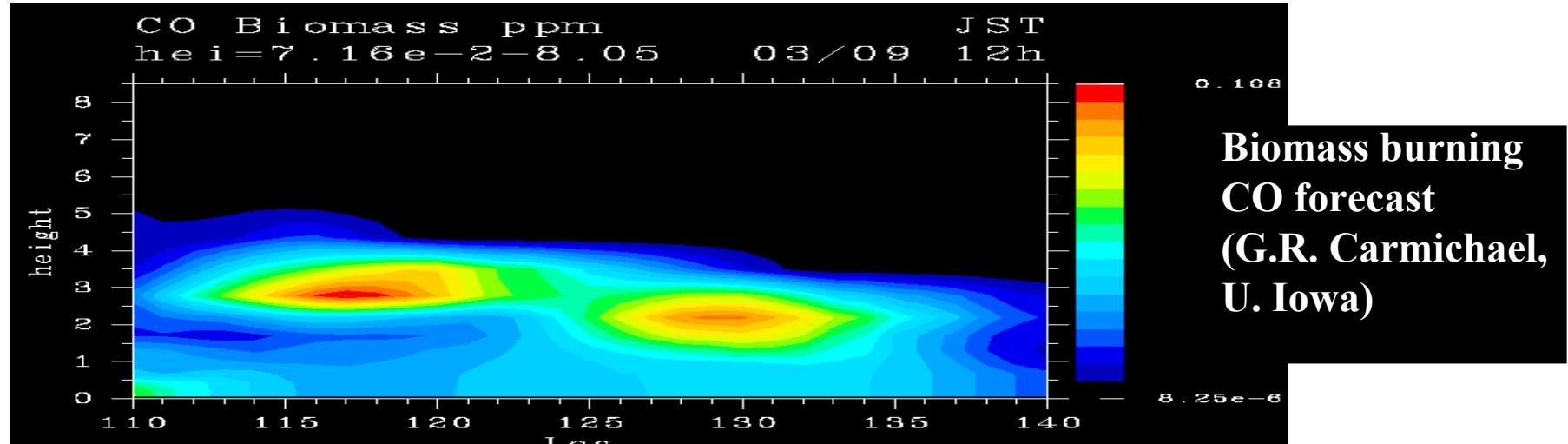


Simulated Propane Concentration (ppbv) in 2797.35m Layer  
at 3GMT, 3/9/2001

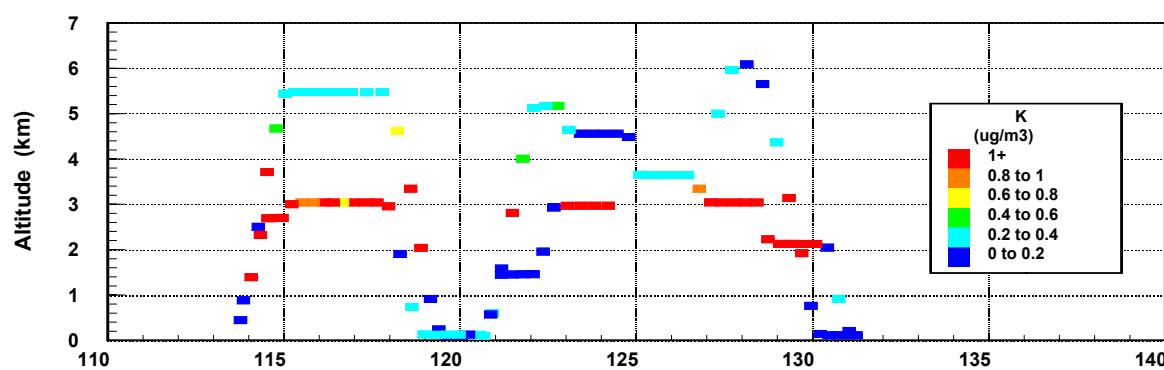


Propane data by Blake et al.

# Frontal outflow of biomass burning plumes E of Hong Kong



Observed CO  
(G.W. Sachse, NASA/LaRC)

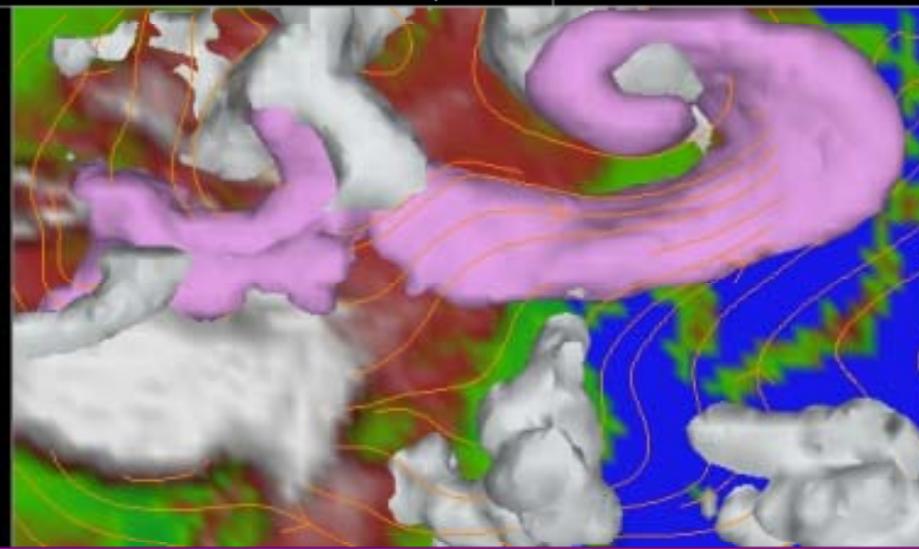


Observed aerosol potassium  
(R. Weber, Georgia Tech &  
Y. Lee (BNL))

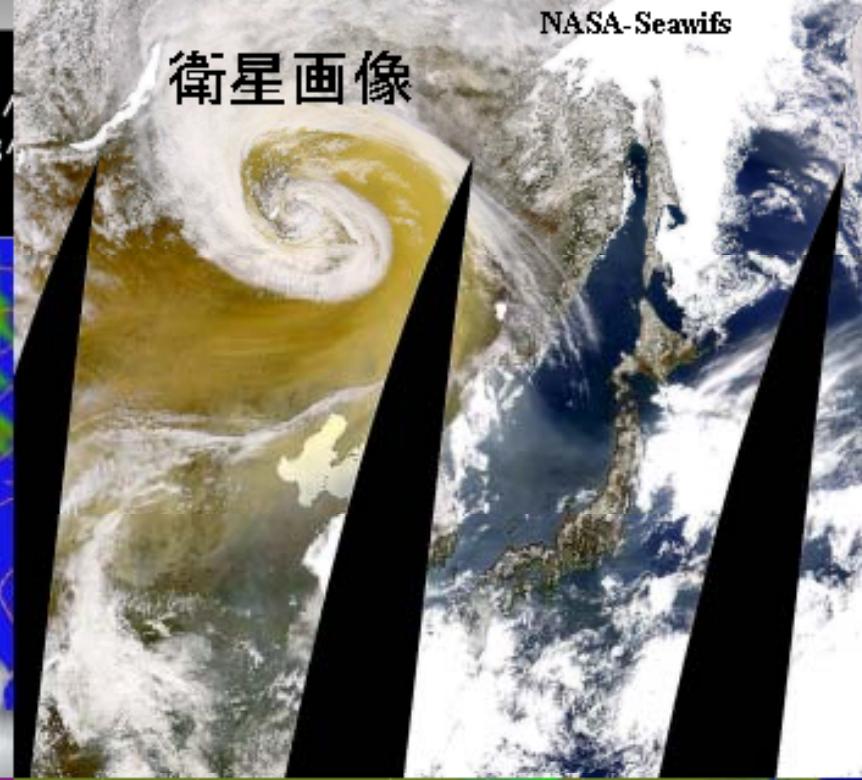
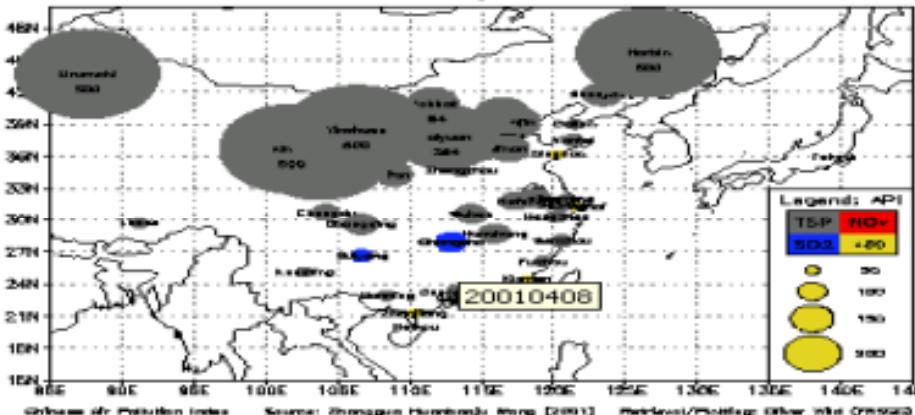
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Dust Storm Event  
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Yellow:S04 Isosurface(5 micro-g)

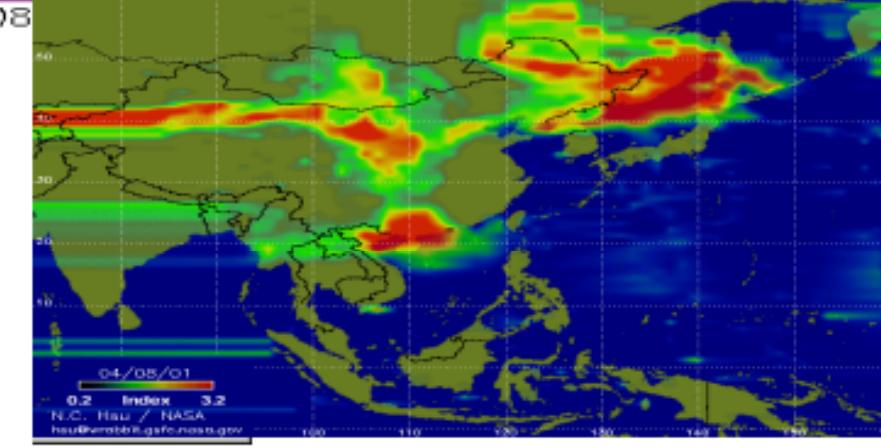
## モデル結果



Chinese Urban Air Quality Data for 2001-04-08

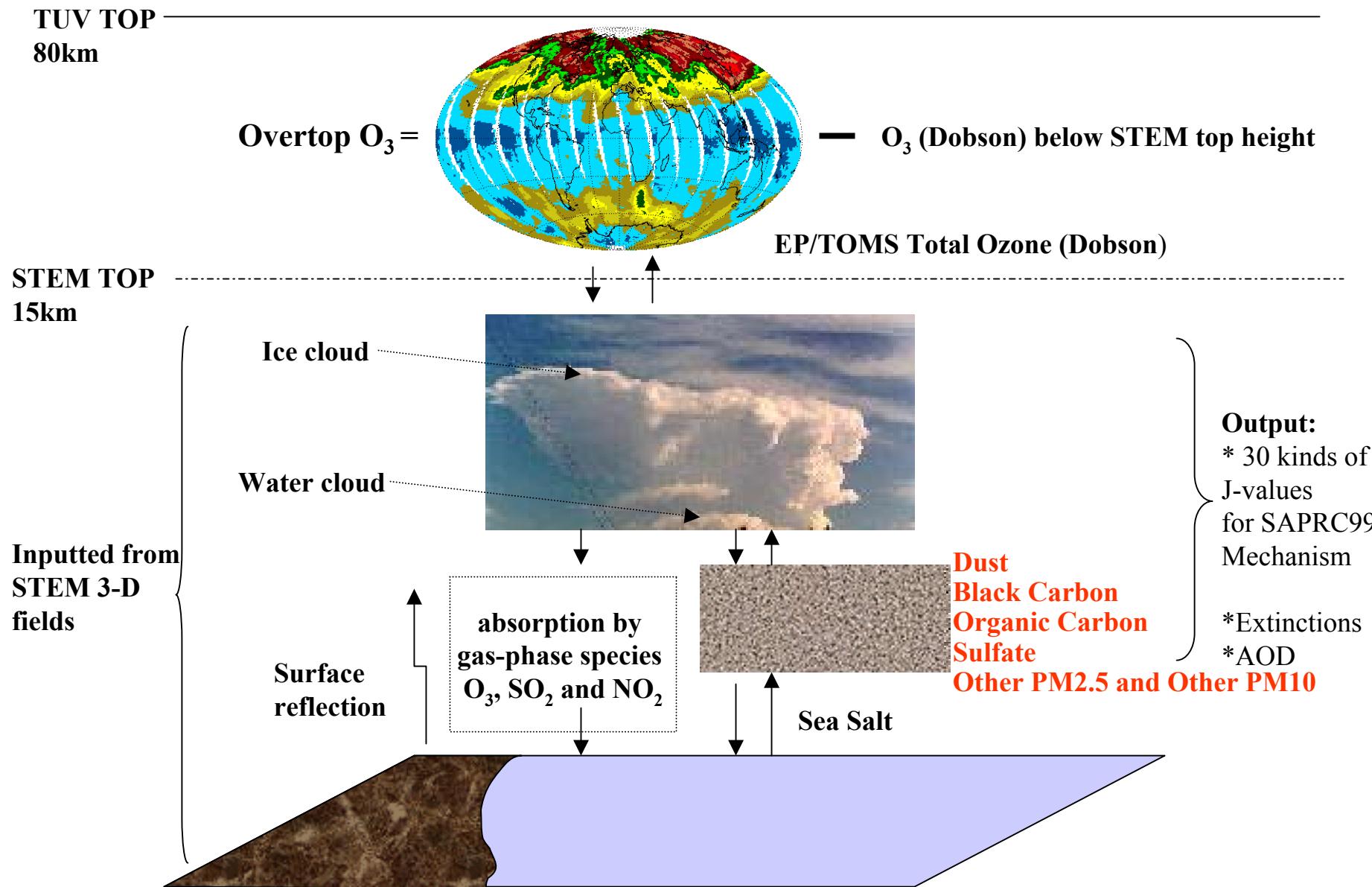


## 衛星画像



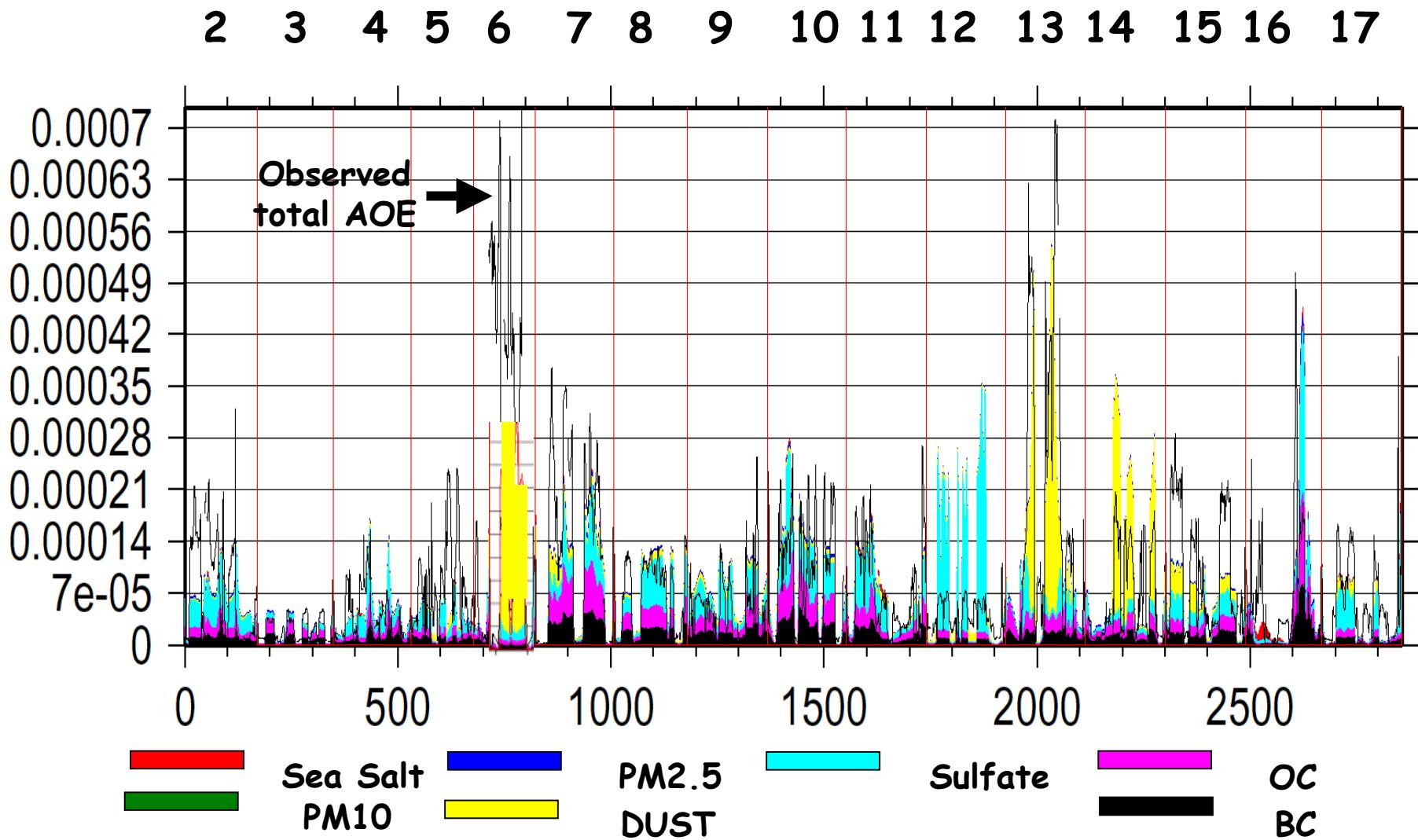
日本列島よりも大きなPerfect Dust Storm

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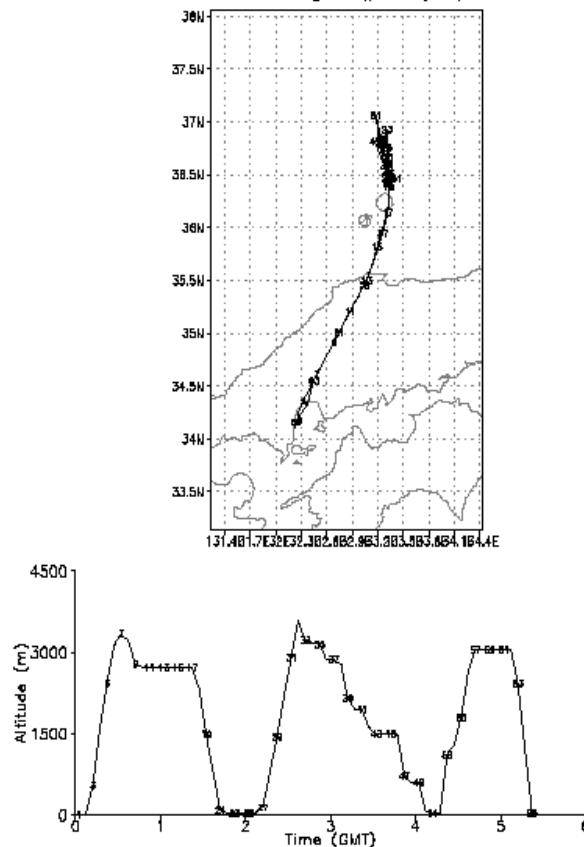


# C130 Extinction

## (observations from T Clarke and T. Anderson)

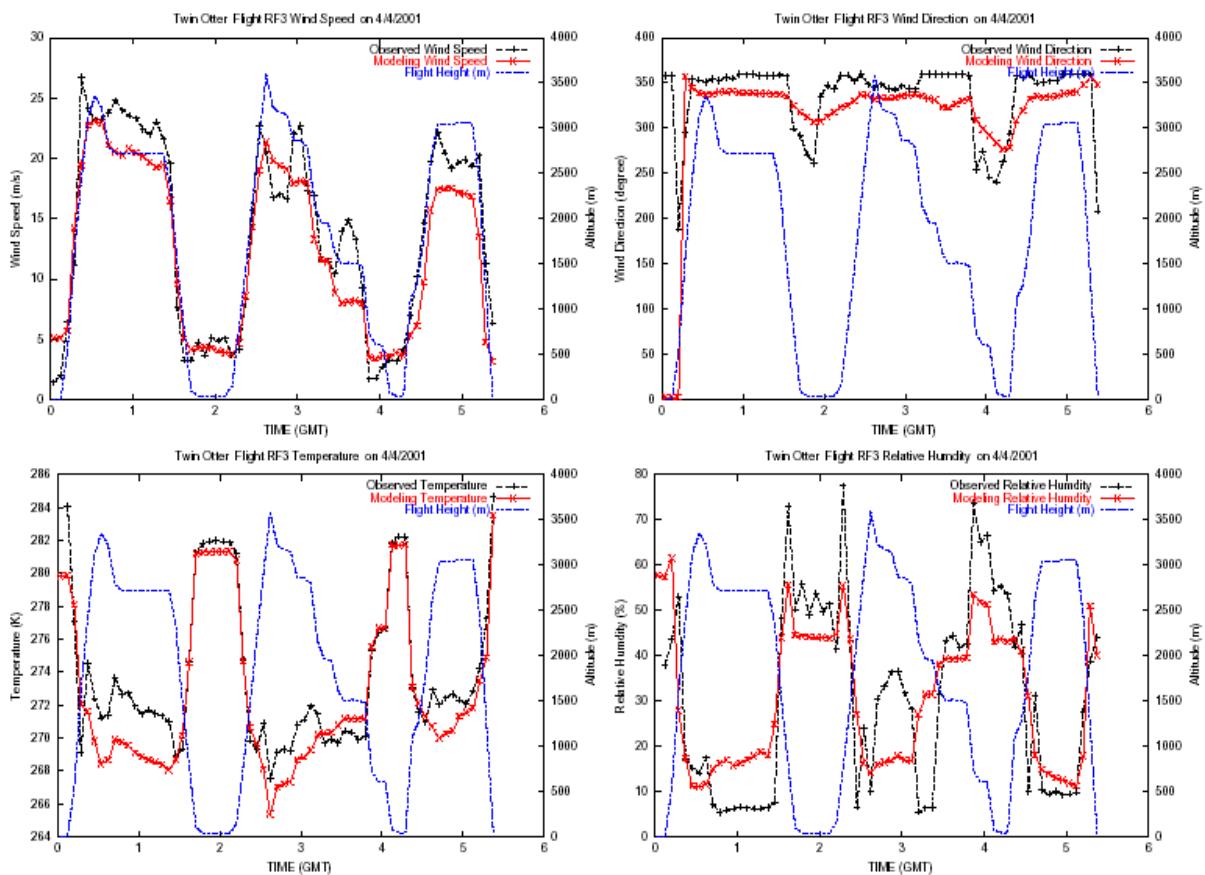


Twin Otter Flight #3 4/4/2001

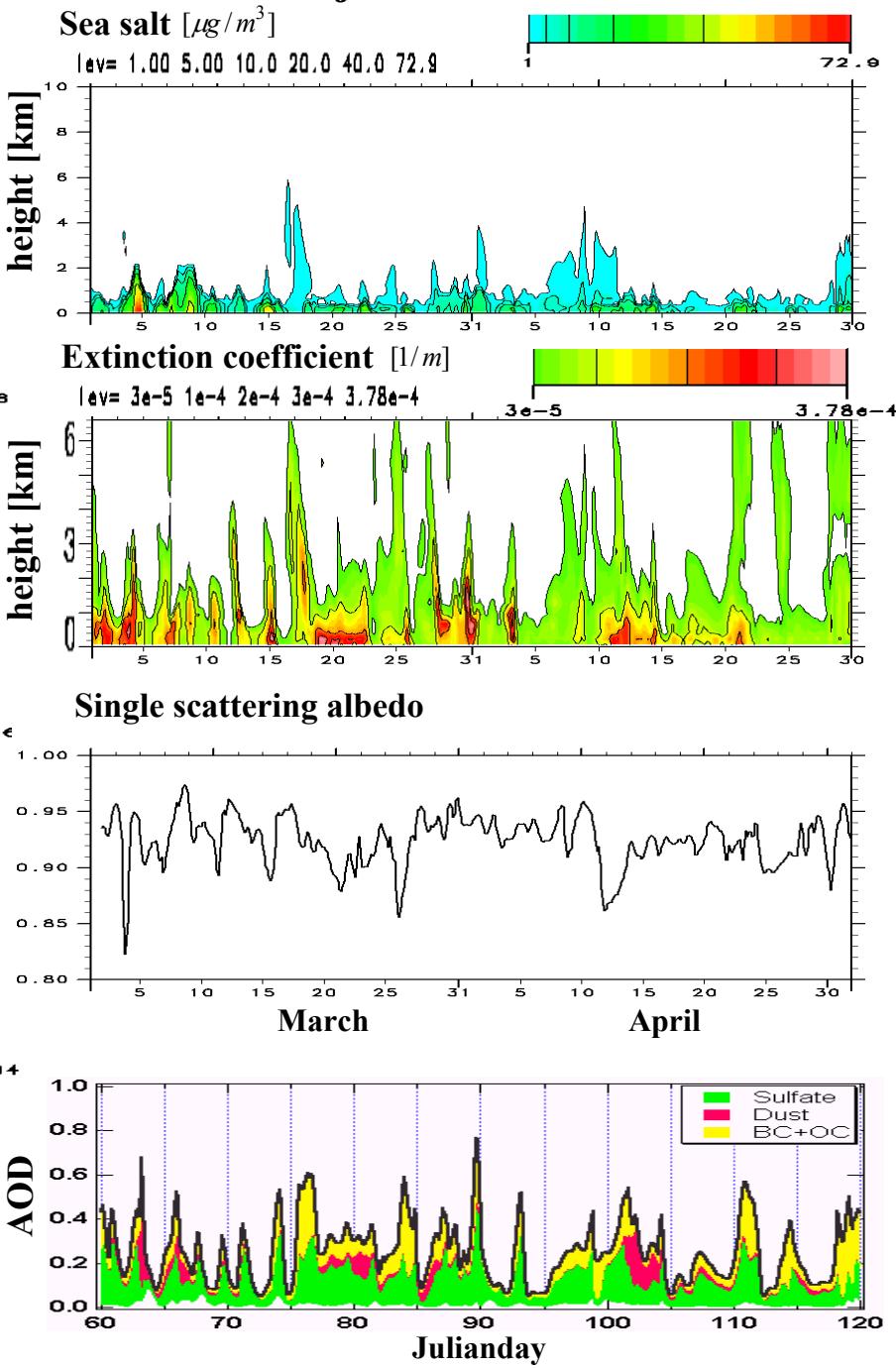
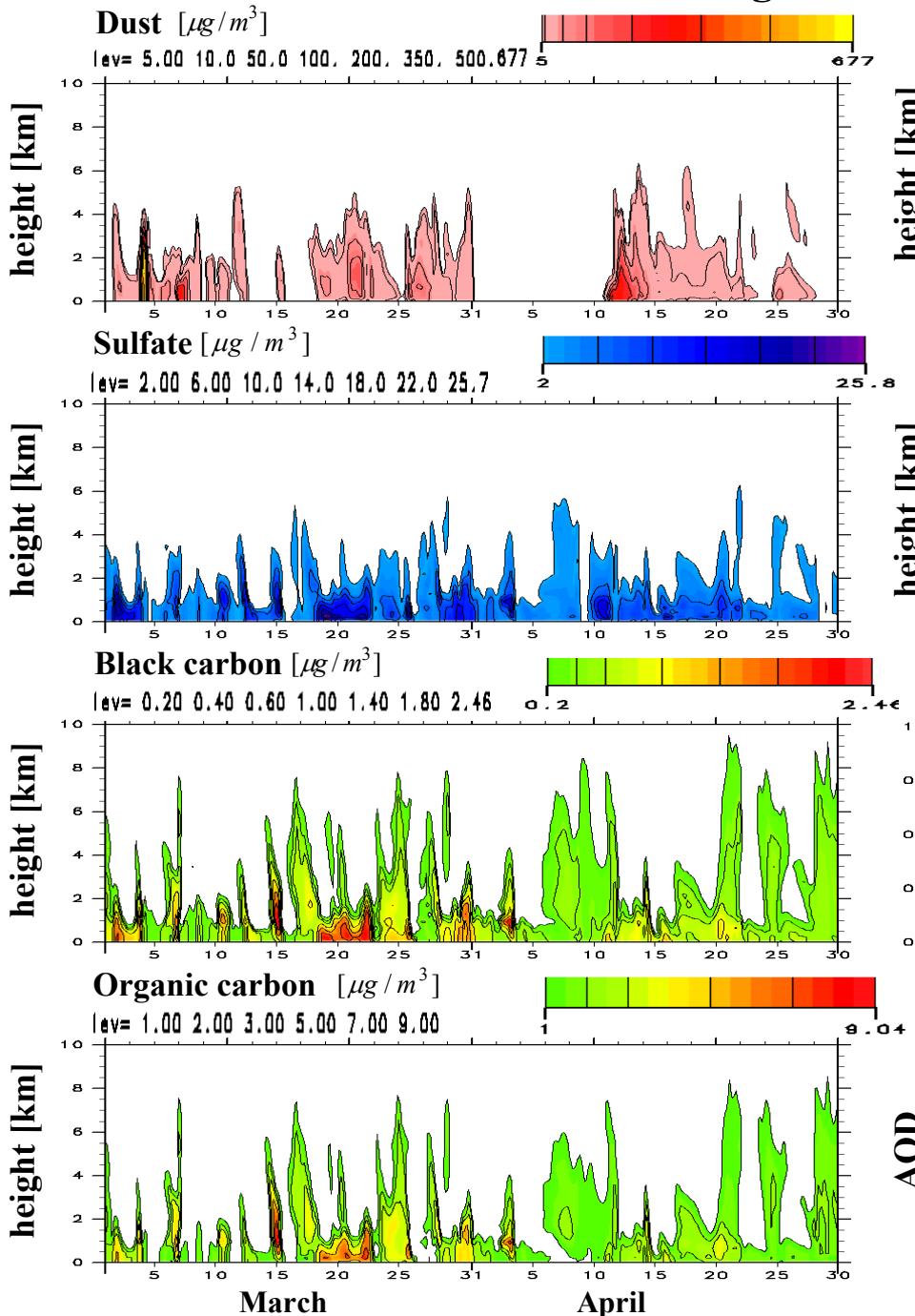


# Meteorological Fields for Twin Otter Flights

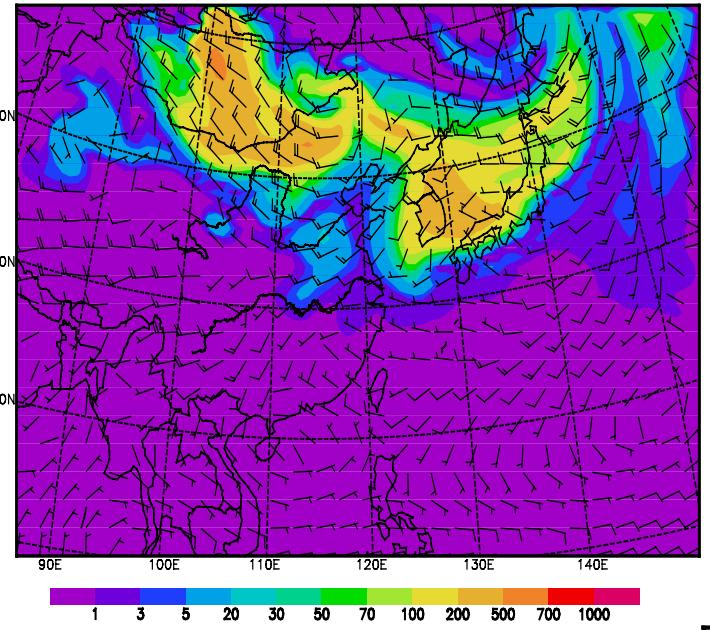
## (Seinfeld & Flagan)



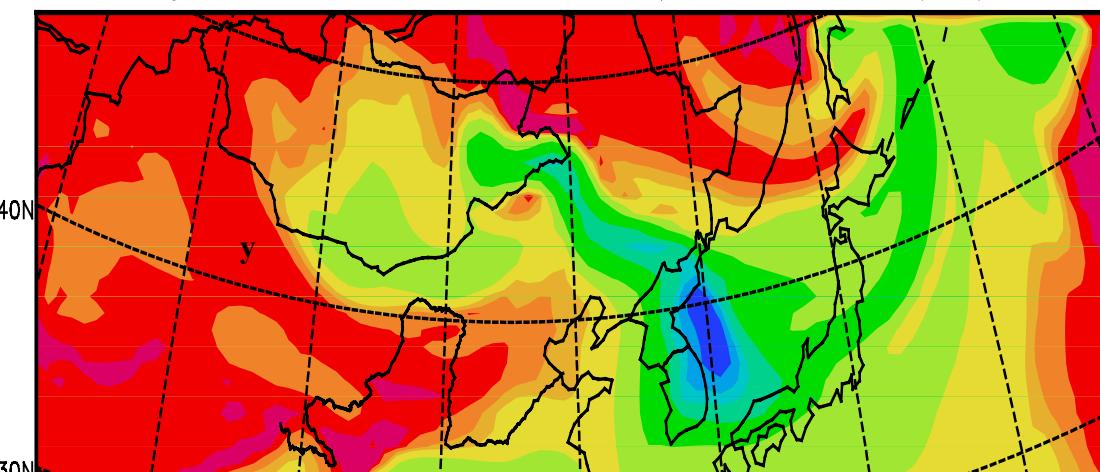
# Time-height cross section at Cheju



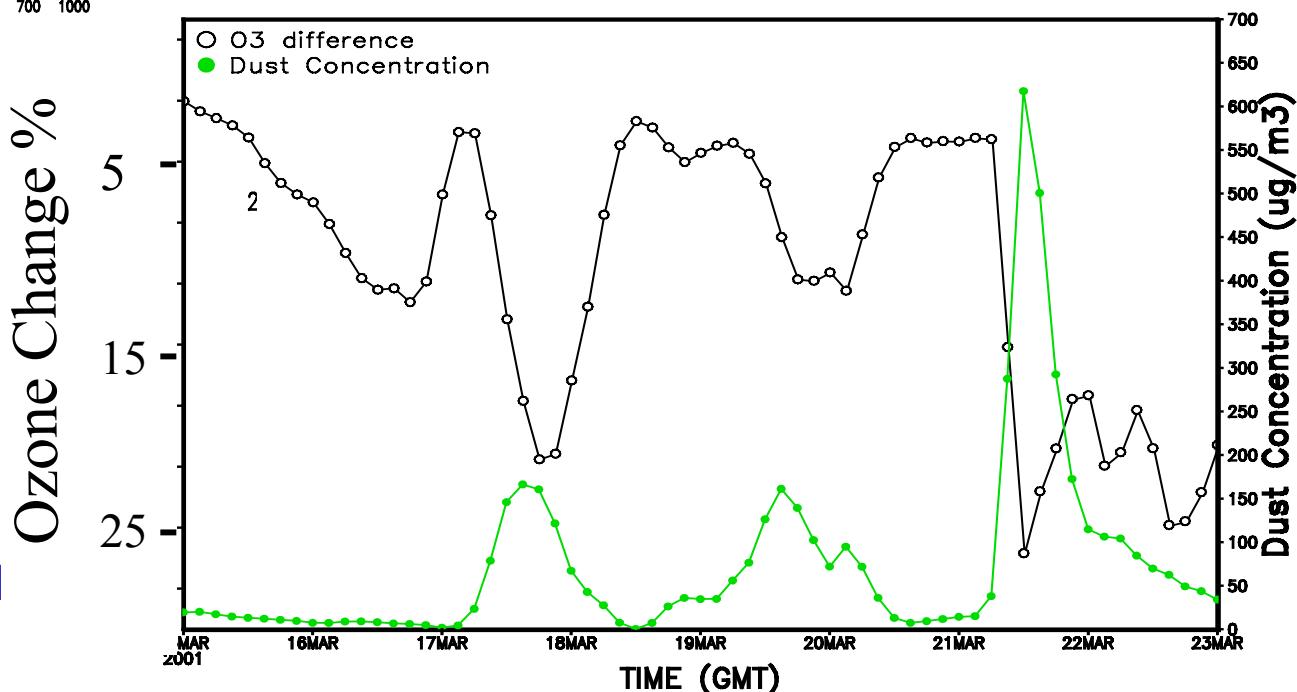
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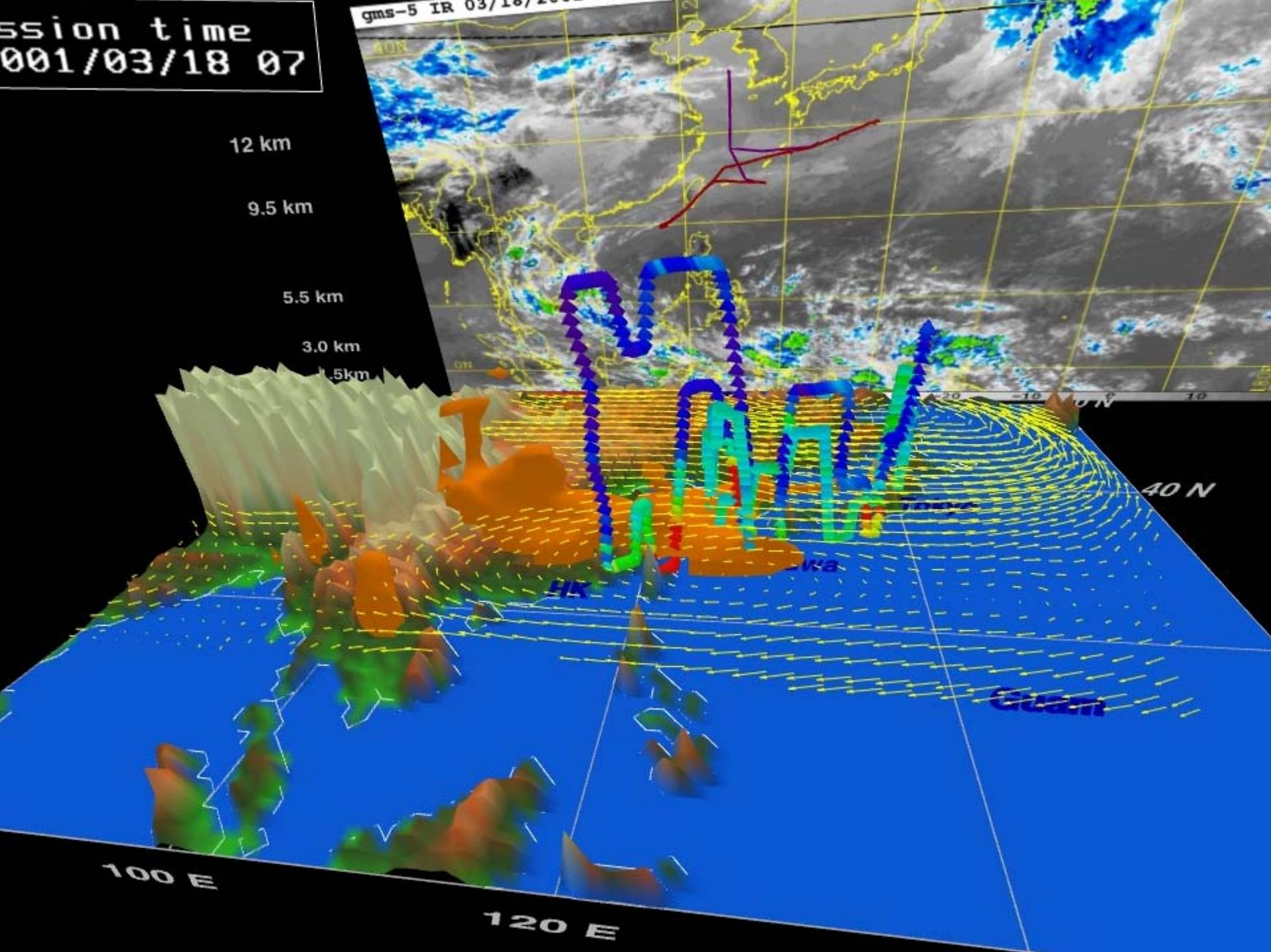
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Heterogeneous Reactions in the 1km layer at 03GMT, 03/21/2001



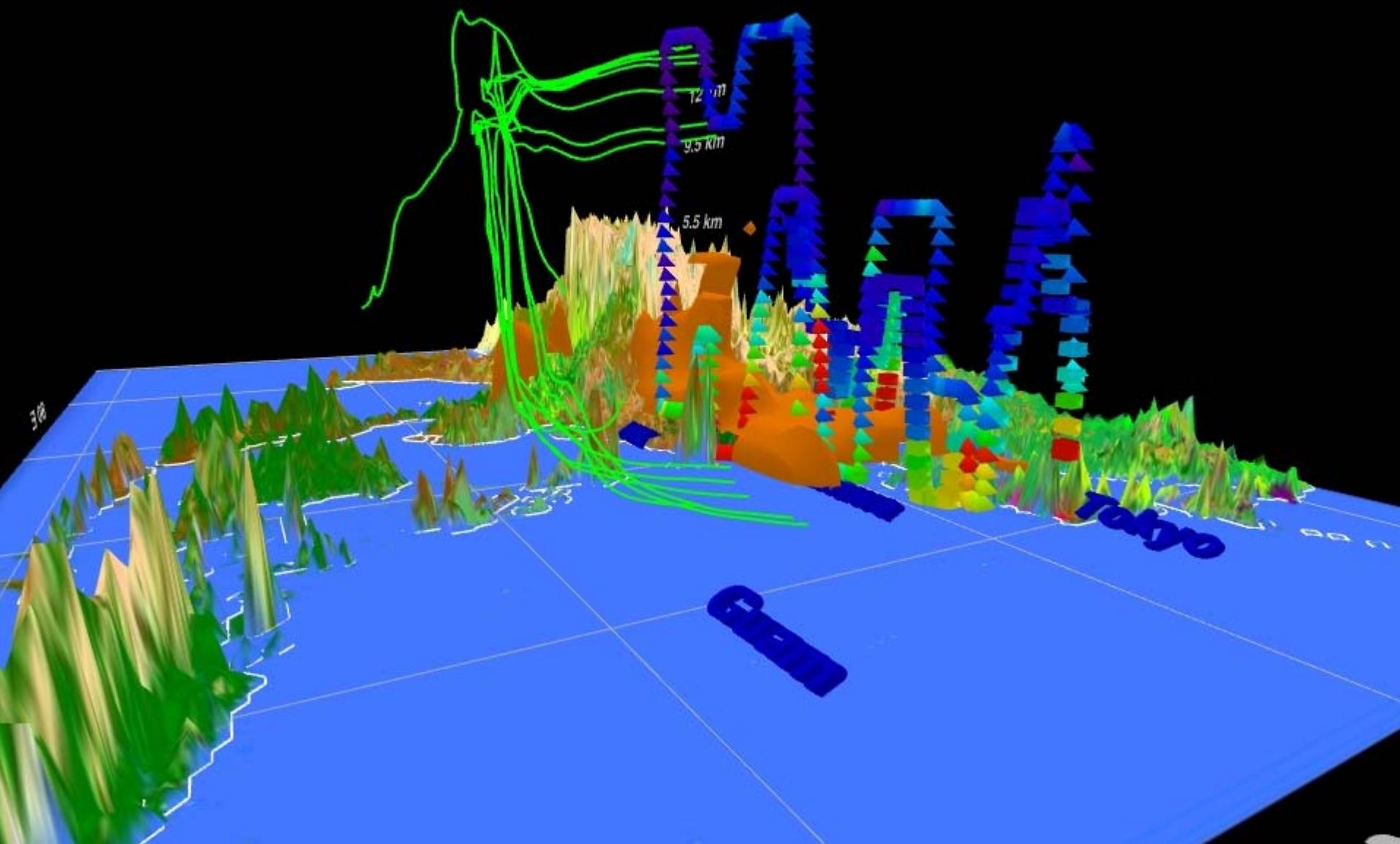
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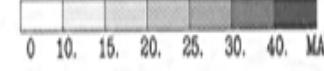
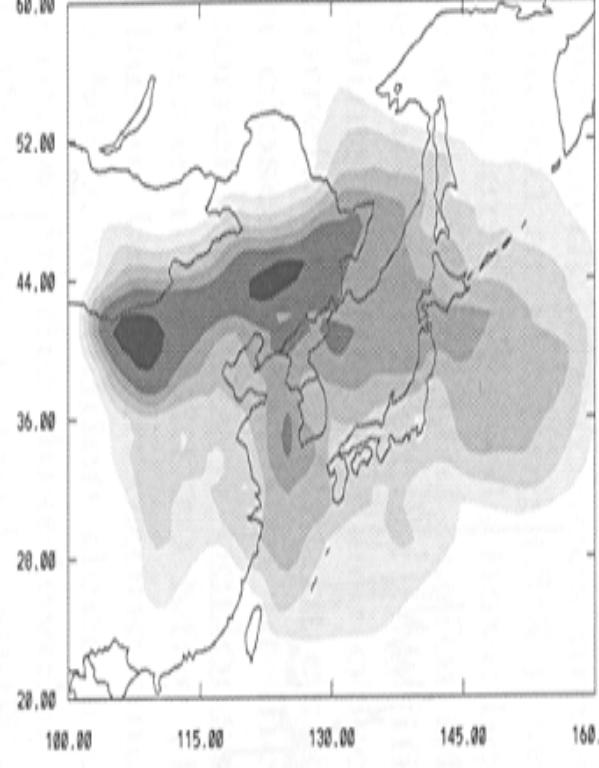
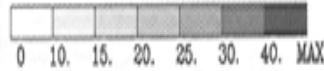
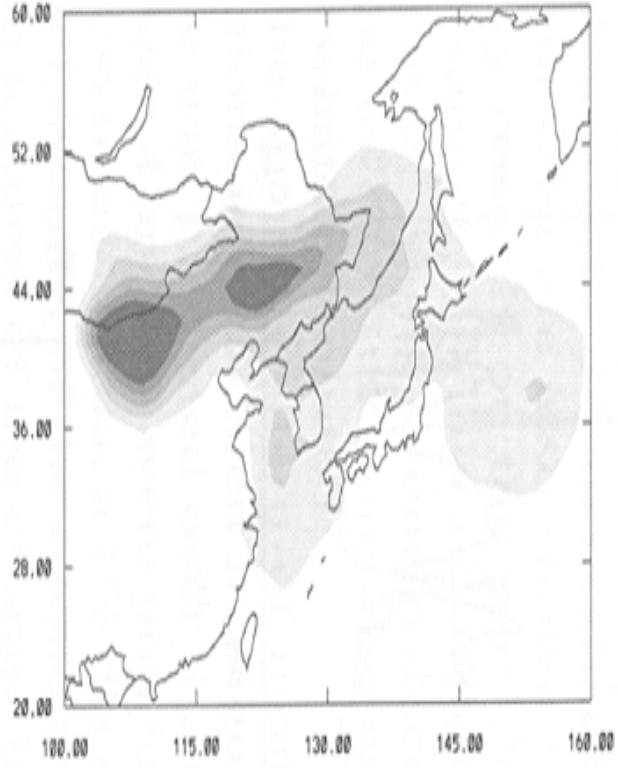
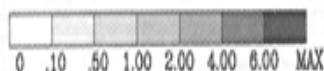
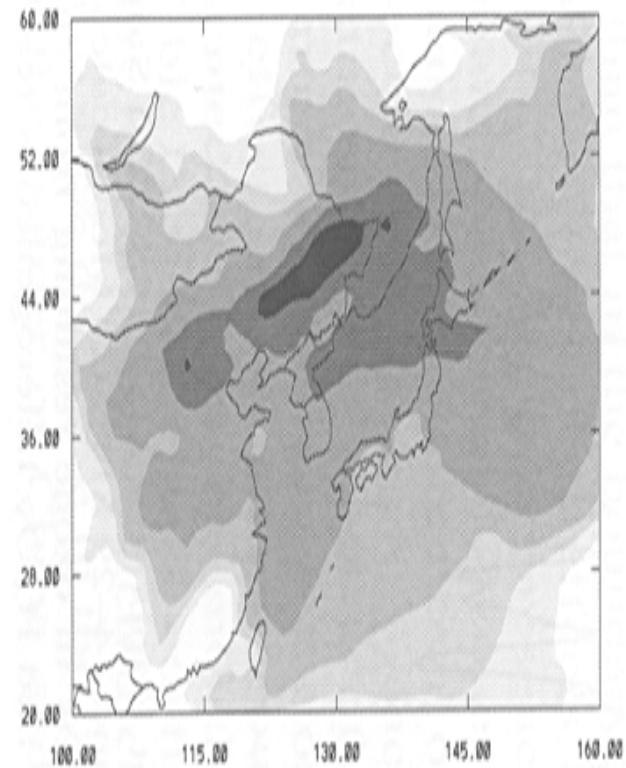


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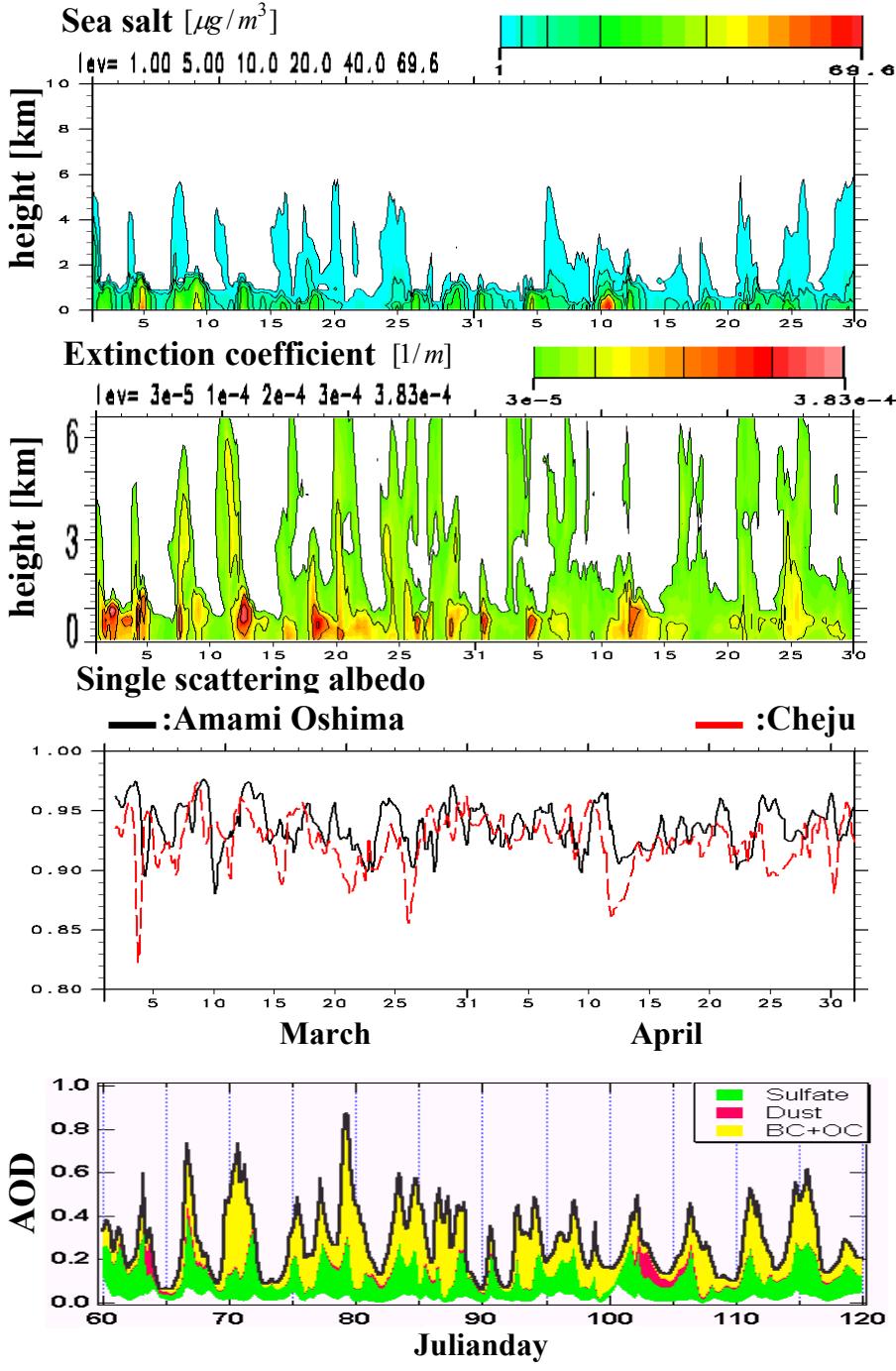
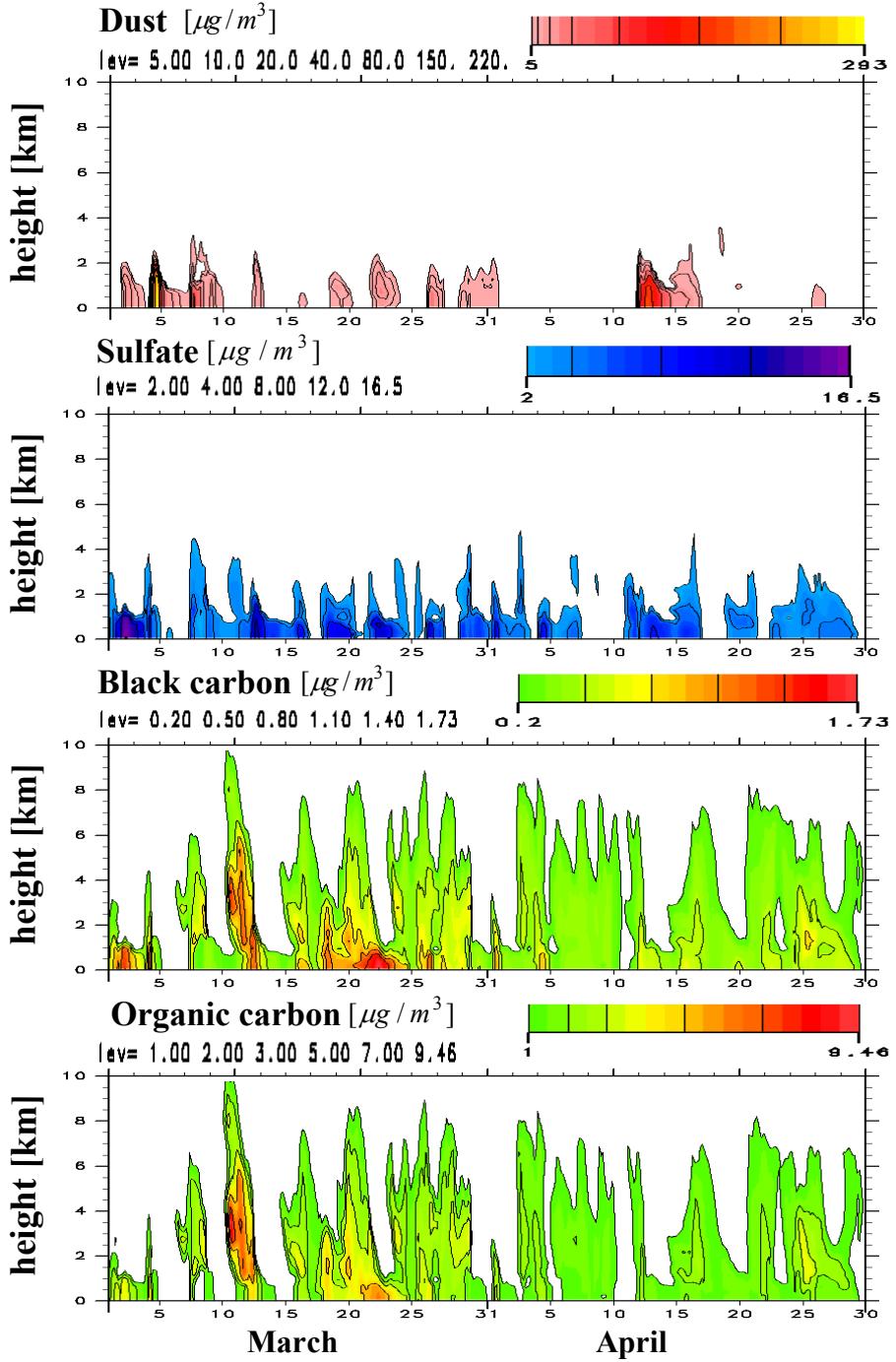


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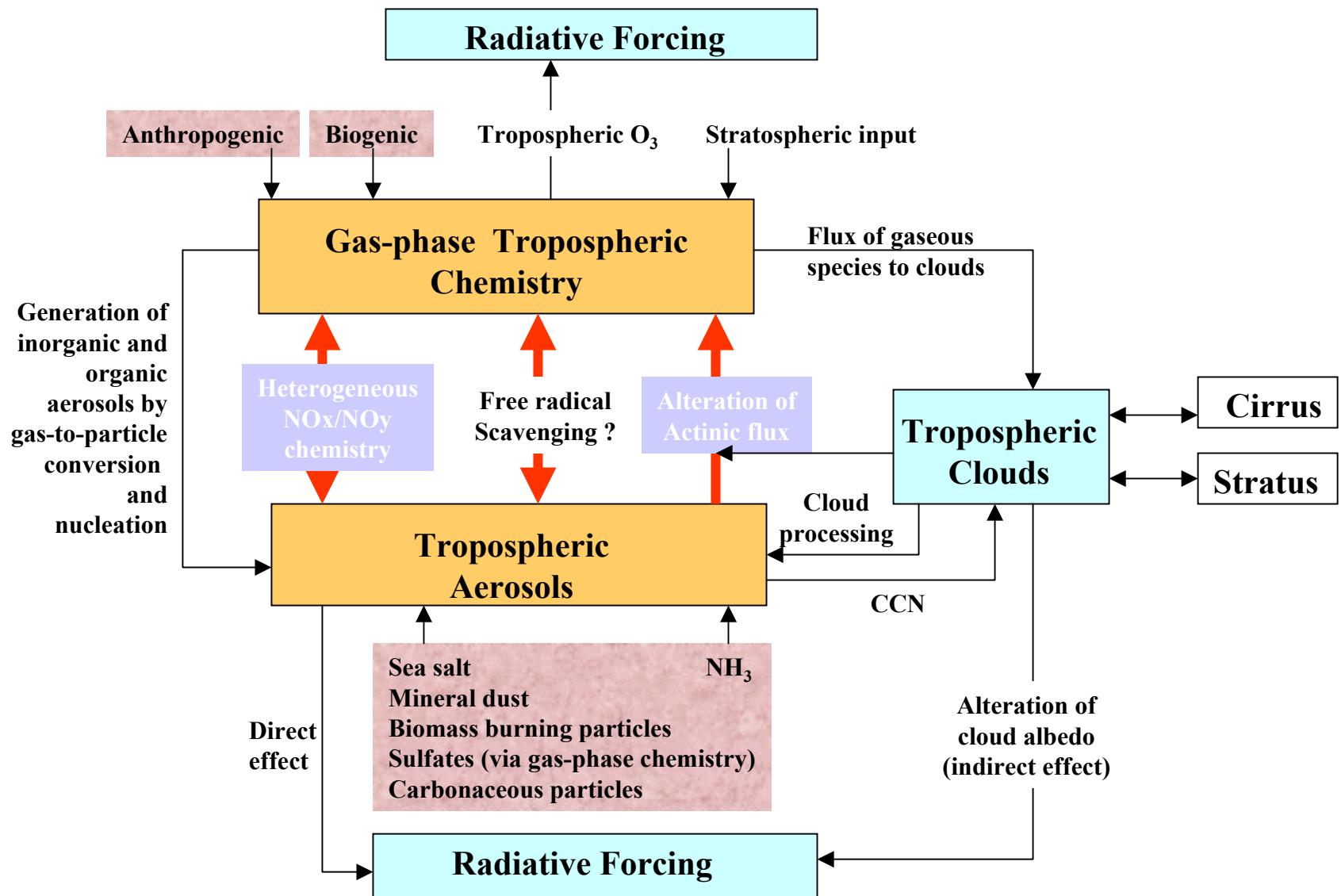
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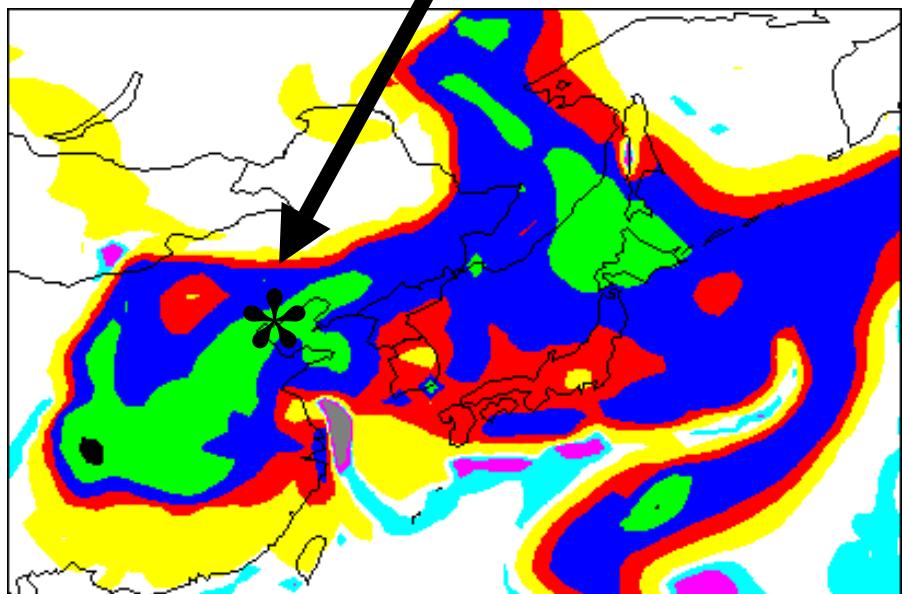


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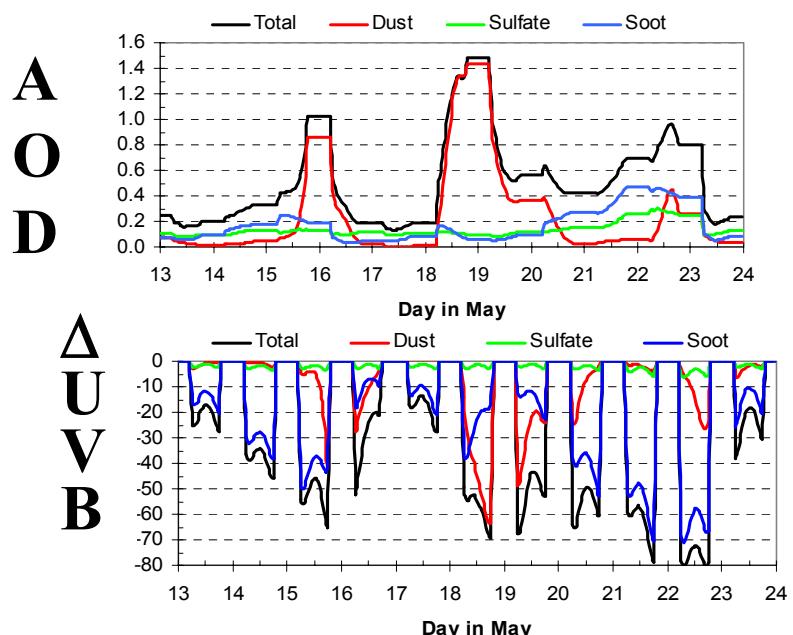
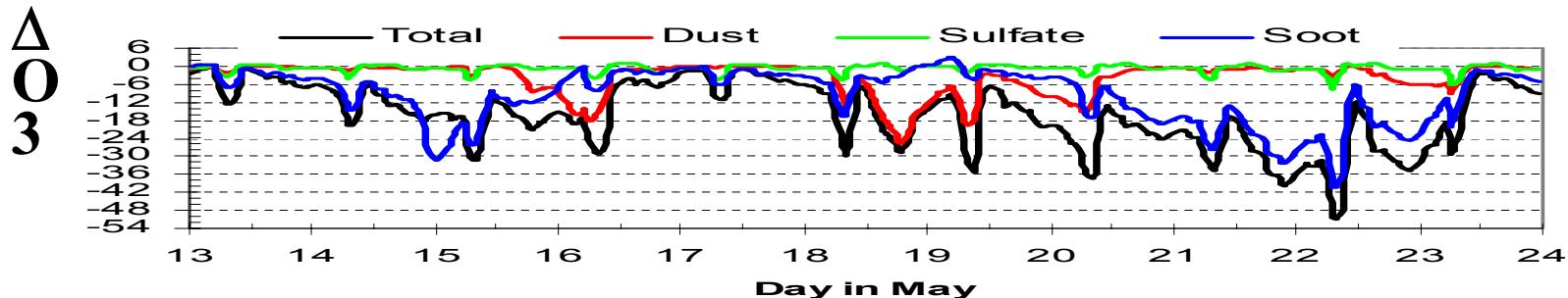
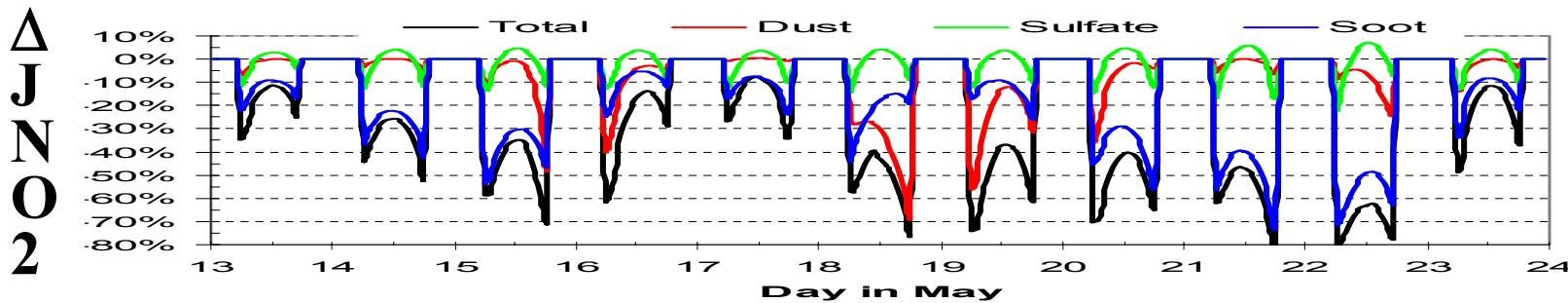


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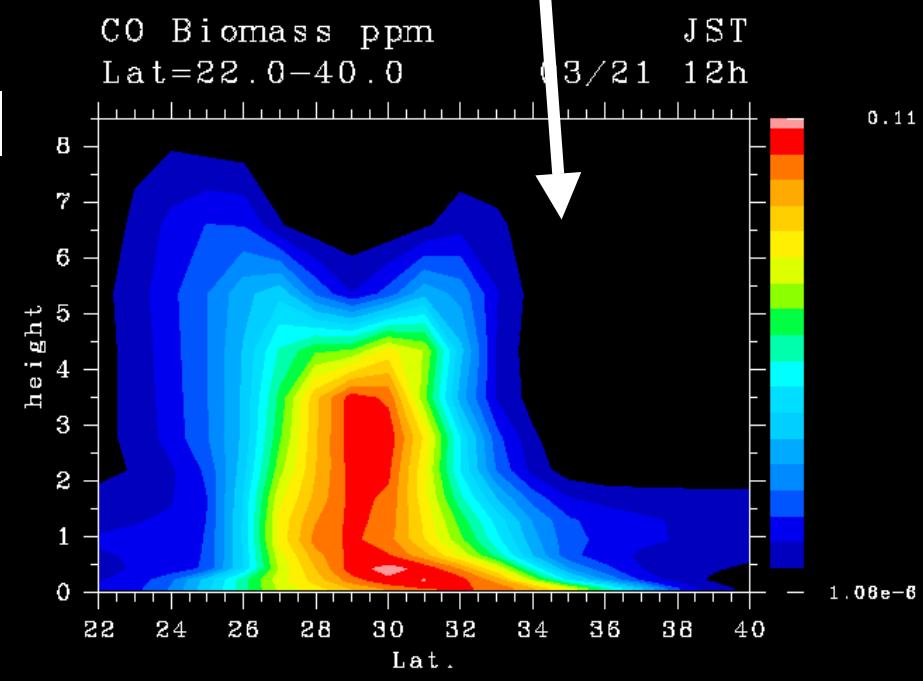
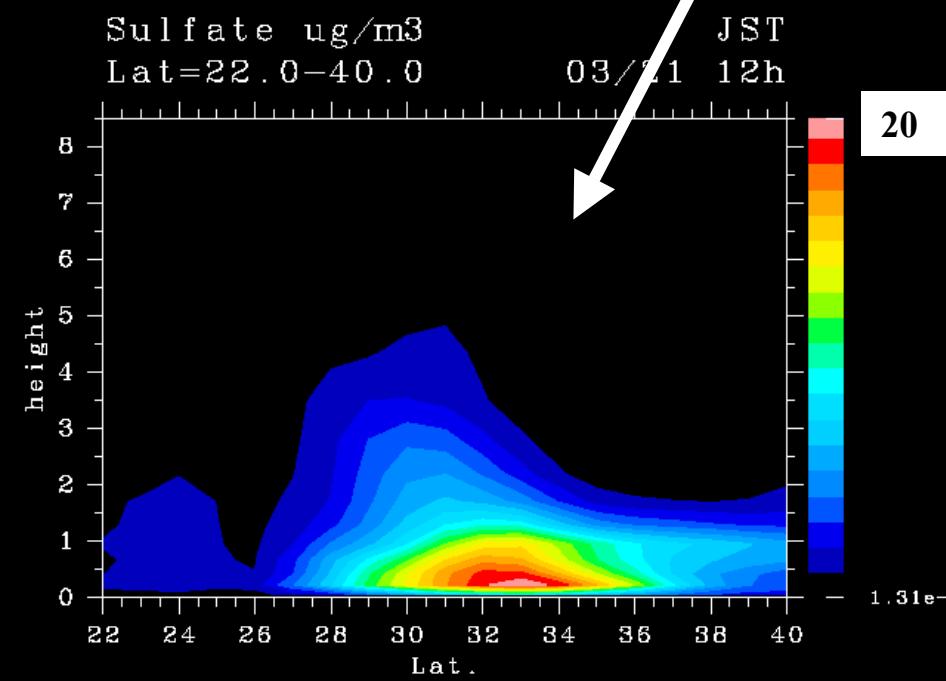
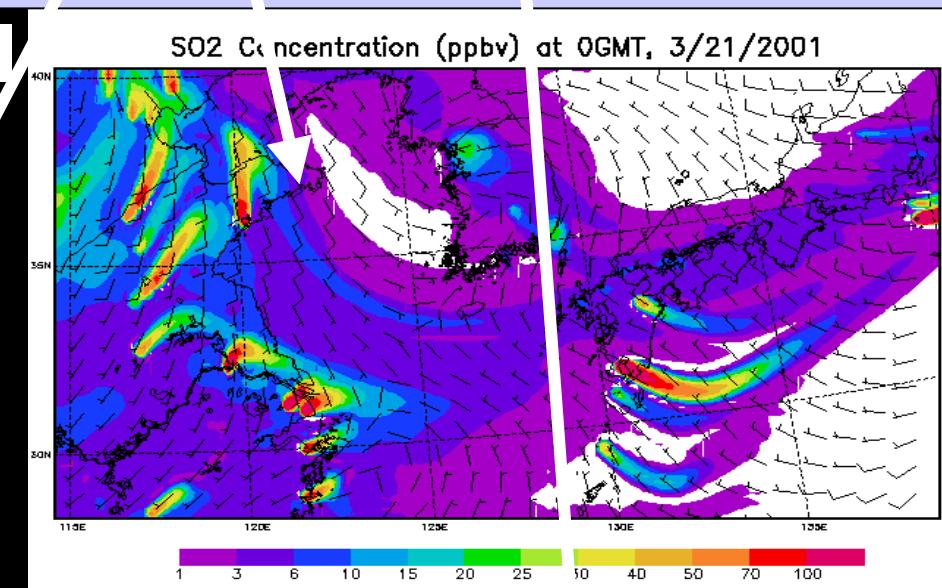
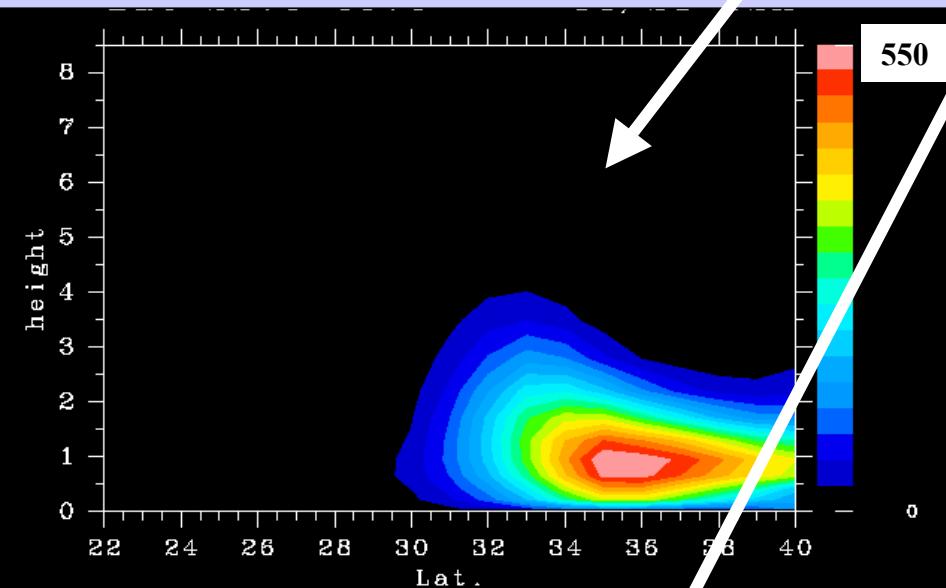




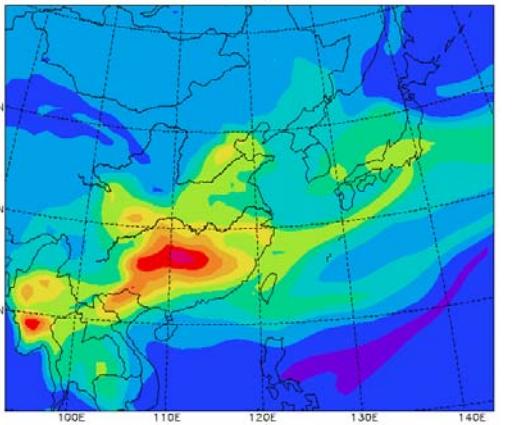
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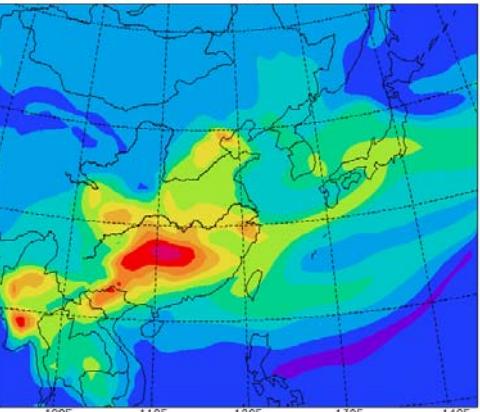
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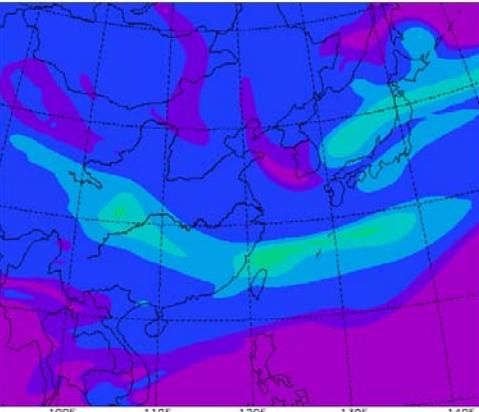
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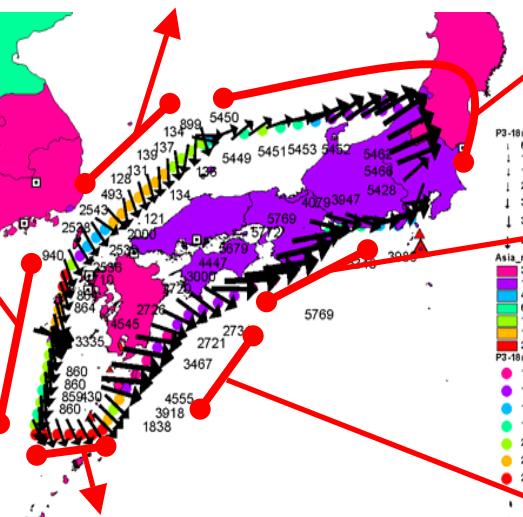
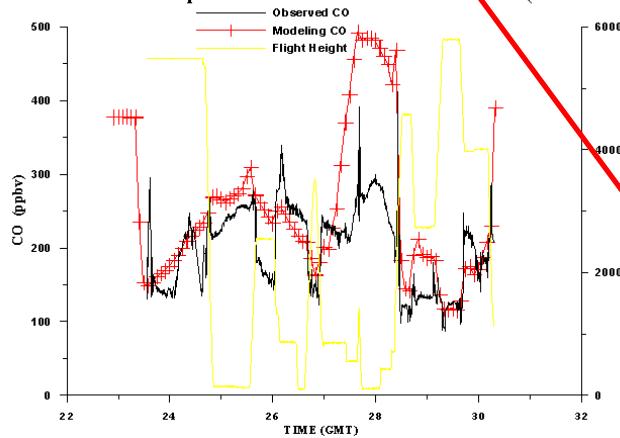
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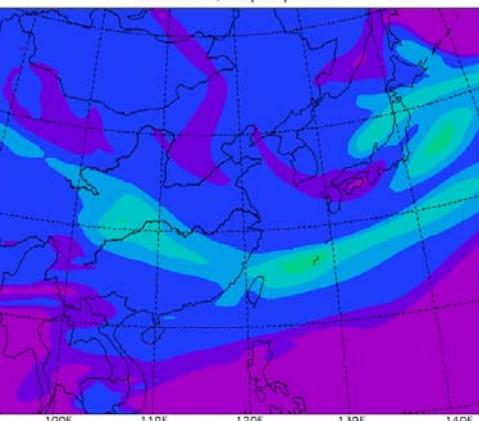
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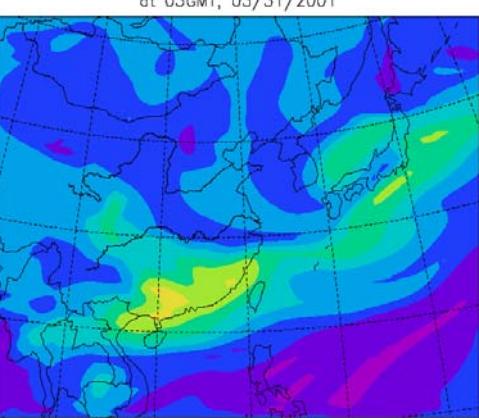
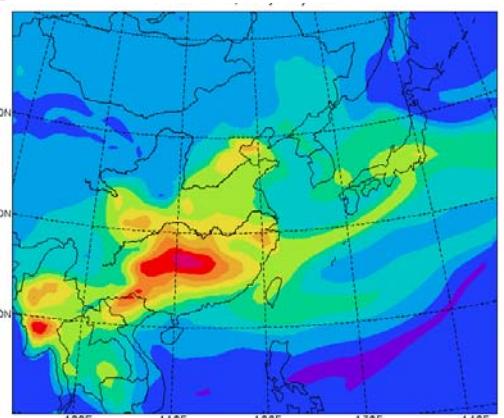
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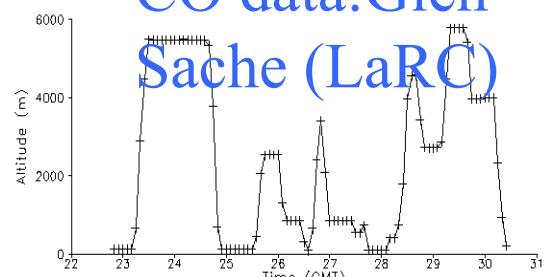
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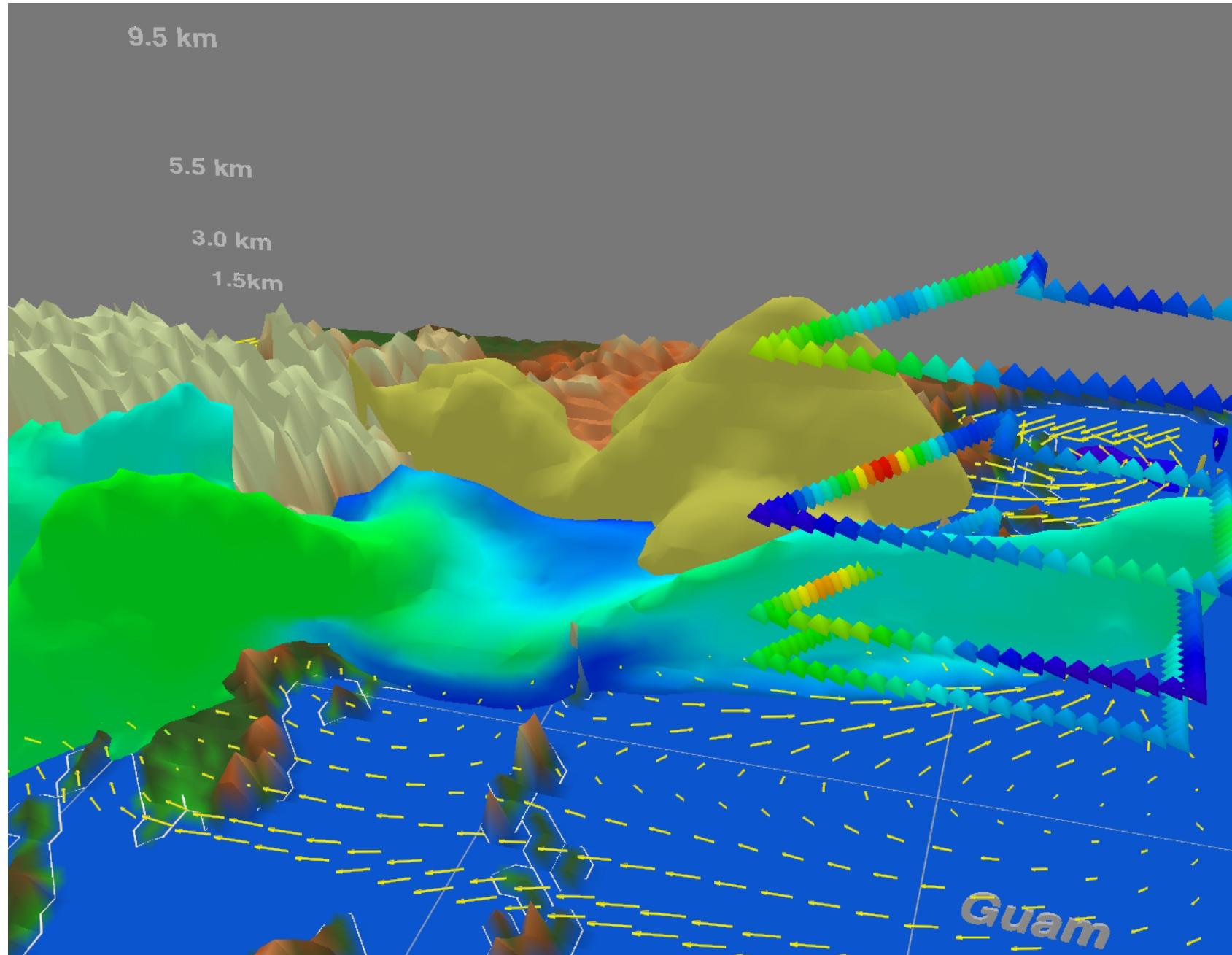


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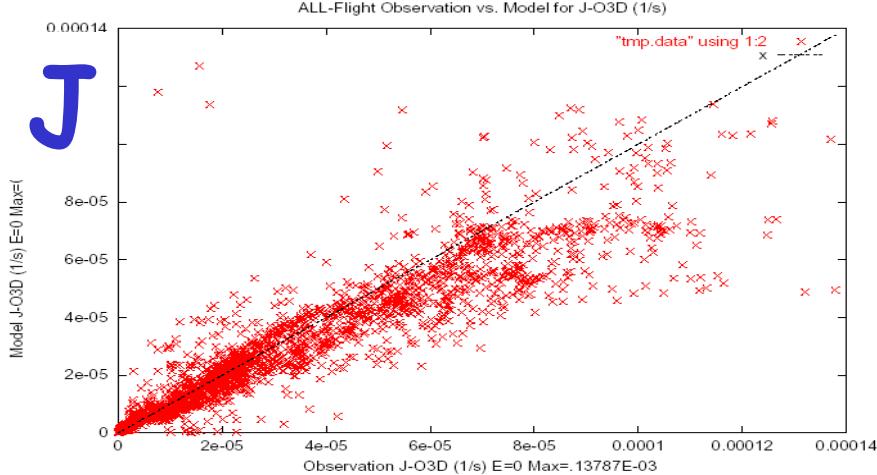


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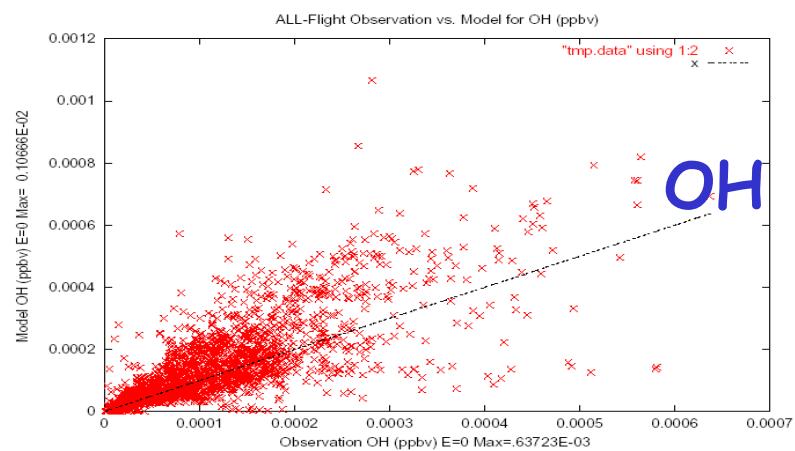
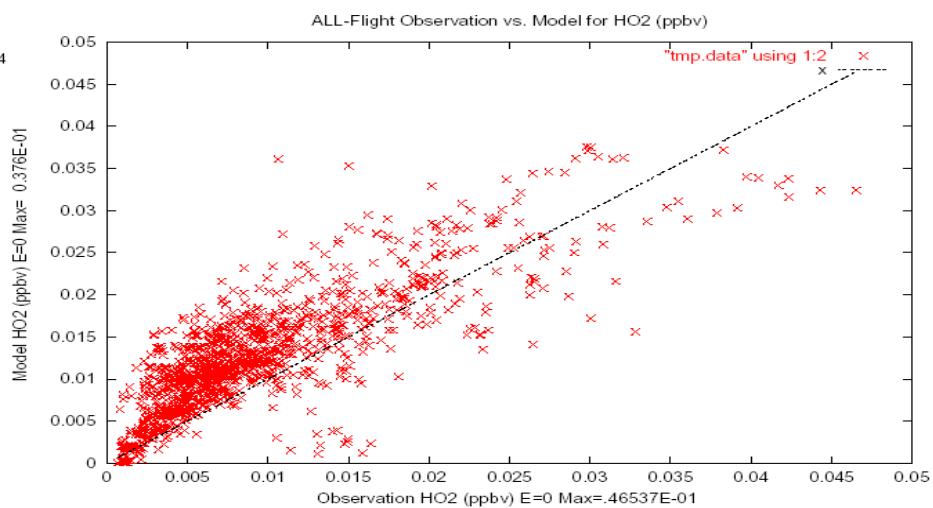




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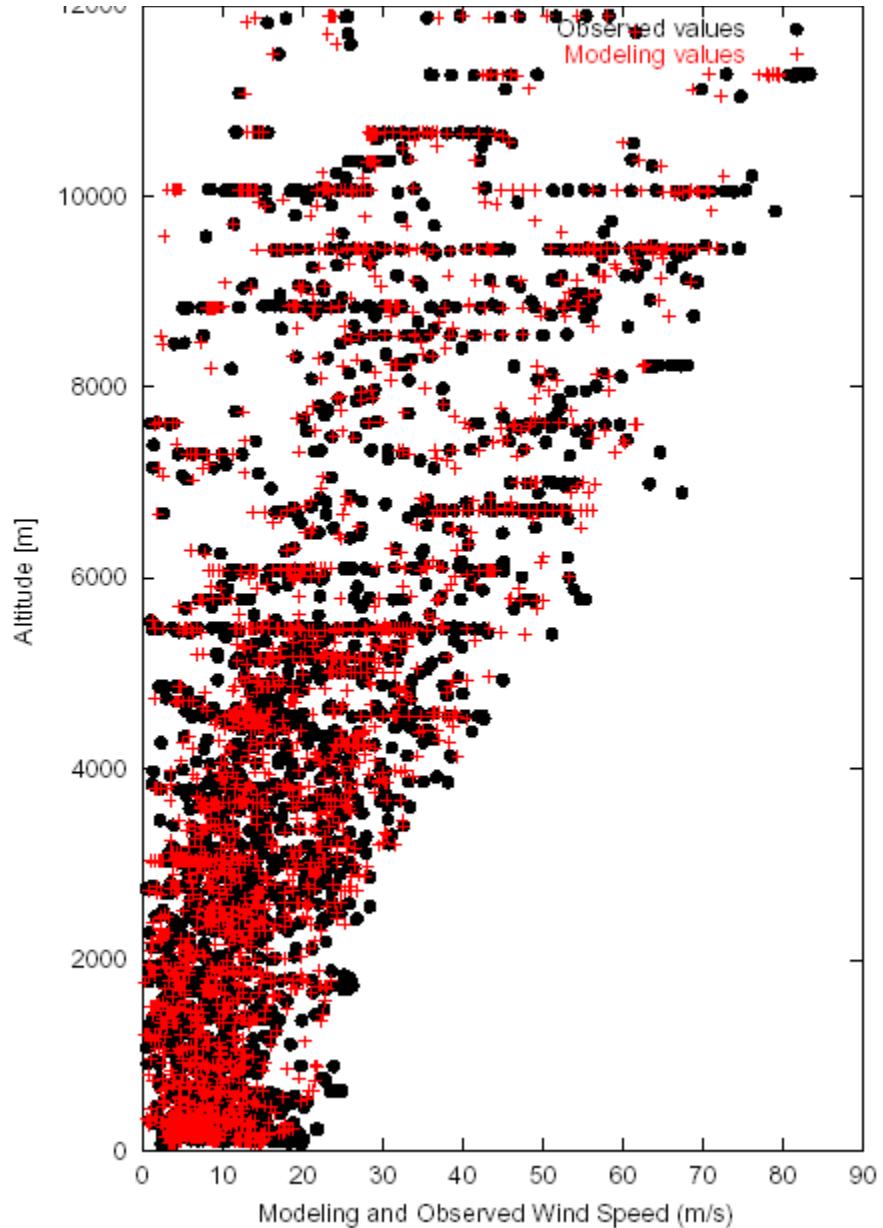


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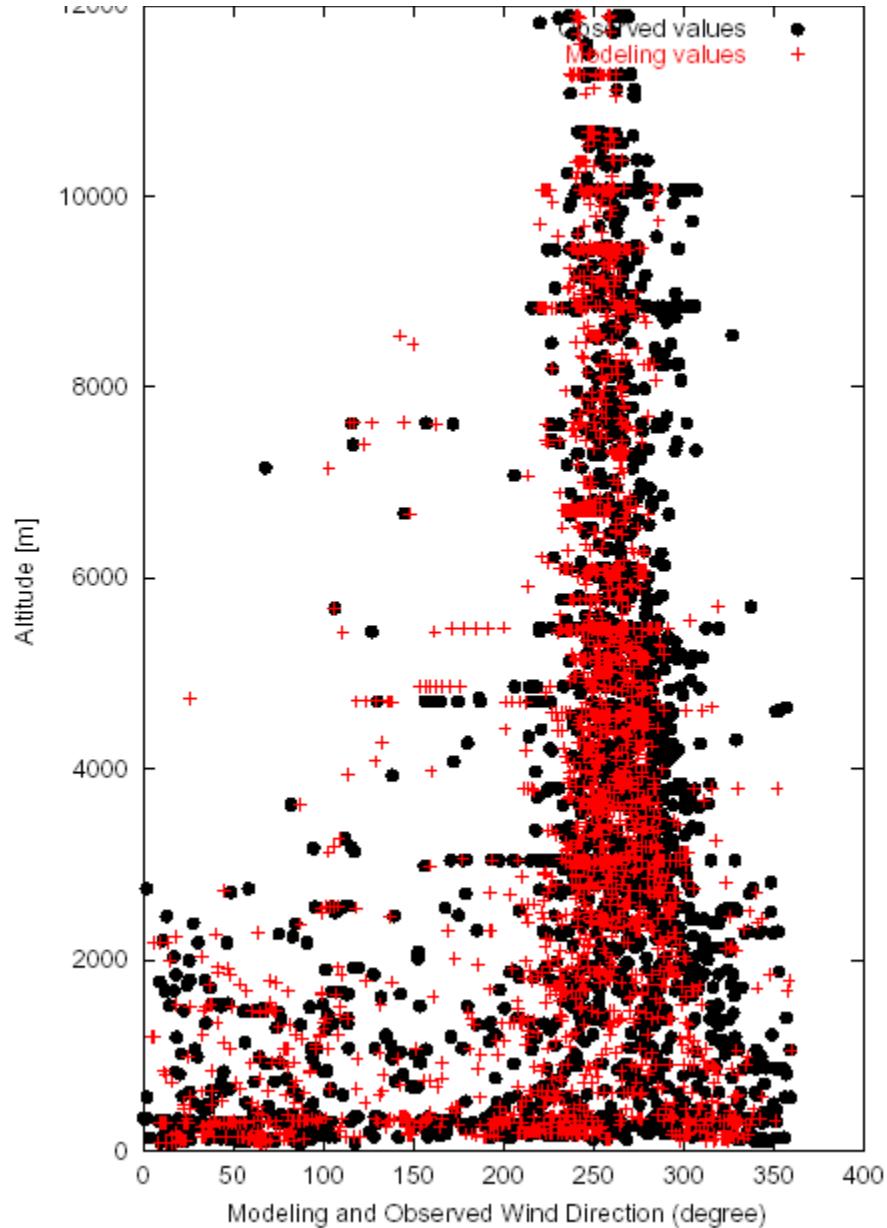


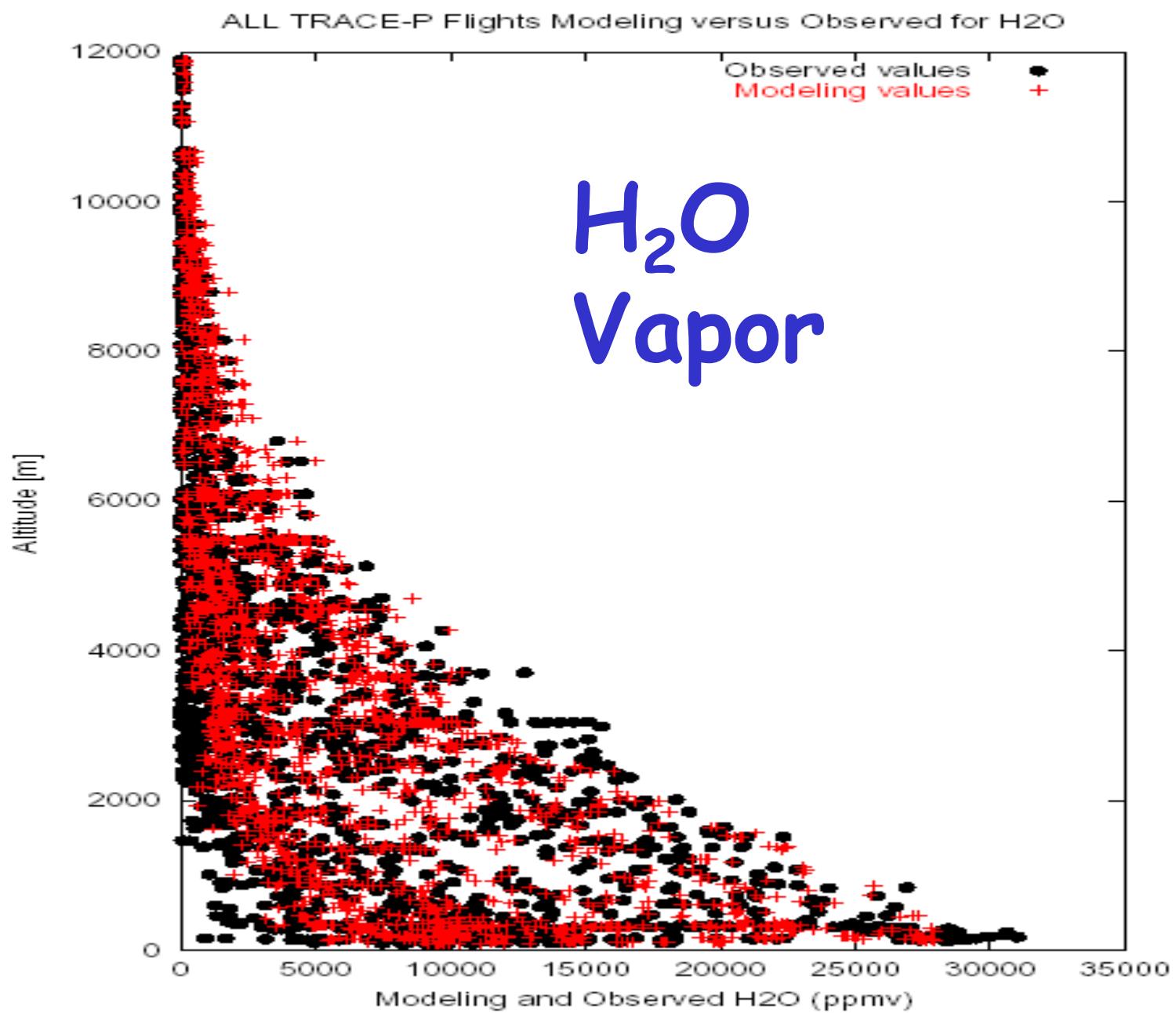
Photolysis data:  
Shetter (NCAR)  
  
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# Wind Speed

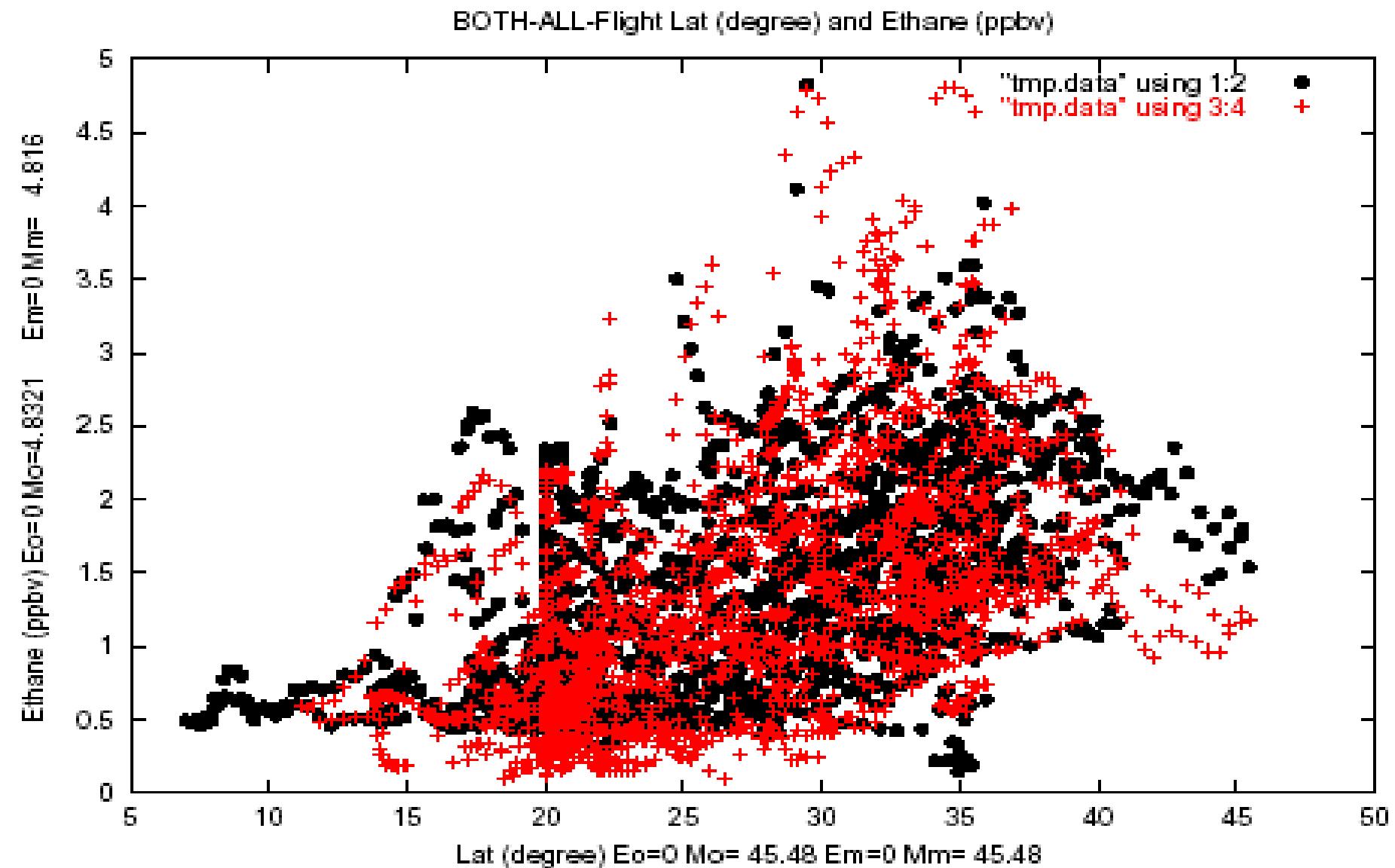


# Wind Direction





# Measured and Modeled Ethane (Blake et al.) as a Function of Latitude DC8 & P3 Flights



# Measured and Modeled Ozone (Melody Avery) as a Function of Latitude DC8 & P3 Flights

